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COBURNS DEATH WELL PLANNED SAYS STATE

Second Jail Break Within Week At Lansing

Defense Keeps Silent As To Tactics In Fox Trial

By J. F. BEAMAN,
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 11.—"The murder of Captain Coburn was planned by more than one mind."

This summarization of the evidence to be presented in Superior court Wednesday in an effort to send Phil E. Fox, publicity director of the Ku Klux Klan to the gallows for the murder of W. S. Coburn, attorney of a rival faction, was given the United Press today by Henry J. Norton, who has collaborated with the solicitor general's office. Norton, who ascend to the leadership of the Simmons group in the bitter internal war on the imperial officers of the hooded order, has directed more than a score of investigators in unearthing evidence in nearly a dozen States into which the murder probe has extended during the last month.

"We have information," Norton began, "that an imperial officer of the Klan, who was in New York, received a telegram one hour before the murder stating 'Coburn is dead', and this will be presented at the trial along with other startling disclosures indicating the killing was a part of a carefully laid plot."

Norton revealed for the frist time what the State will contend was the motive for the murder and other details of what the prosecution claims was the climax of the bitter factional fight which had been waged for months in the courts with Coburn the aggressor.

"The motive for the murder was given by Fox himself, when, shortly after his arrest he declared that he killed Coburn because the latter had some information about him which he intended to publish," said Norton. "He said he would rather hang than be ruined."

"The information Coburn had did involve Fox, but Fox was only one of the lesser lights and Coburn was not particularly interested in him."

Reconstructing the murder, Norton said his investigators had found that Fox stored his furniture the day before Coburn was killed.

The day of the murder, the prosecution will contend, Fox purchased some whisky and a dirk knife; nerved himself with the whisky and planned to leave the knife in Coburn's office as basis for a plea of self-defense if his carefully laid plans to escape went wrong. Instead he is believed to have been unnerved and dropped the revolver in place of the knife.

The expected plea of insanity of the defense will be met by calling Imperial Wizard Evans and other high officials of the secret society to testify as to the mental condition of their publicity man, Norton said. In addition Fox's family records and affidavits from acquaintances in Texas will be presented.

"We are ready to meet whatever ruse the defense presents," Norton said, "and how far the murder trial reveals on the inner secrets of the Klan will depend wholly on what line the defense pursues. We are ready for anything."

Meanwhile the defense continued to carefully guard its plans. Former Governor Hugh Dorsey, leading attorney for Fox, refused to say whether or not a plea of insanity would be presented or otherwise to discuss the defense's case.

"We will have nothing at all to say until Wednesday," said Dorsey as he went into one of the numerous conferences of defense attorneys.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Mayor Louis Blaylock, personal friend of Phil E. Fox who is to go to trial in Atlanta, Ga., tomorrow on charges of murdering Wm. S. Coburn, was to leave Dallas today for Atlanta to appear in Fox's behalf. Fox is a former Dallas newspaper man.

Georgia Widow Tells of Masked Floggers.

Mrs Bertha Holcombe

Mrs. Bertha Holcombe, 26, of Smyrna, Ga., near Atlanta, has reported to the authorities that she and hre companion, S. H. Morton, were kidnaped and carried to a lonely wood by a band of masked men, who flogged them both into unconsciousness. Arrests already have been made.

FAILING TO QUIT BALDWIN HEARS DENUNCIATION BY BRITISH

By LLOYD ALLEN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Liberals and laborites joined in bitter excoriating Stanley Baldwin for his failure to resign immediately.

The Prime Minister called a meeting of his Cabinet for this morning, at which it was understood, it will be determined definitely just what course Baldwin will pursue.

The Ministers met with the Premier at 10 Downing street, shortly before noon, at which time it was generally believed they would approve his proposal to remain in office until Parliament meets.

A suggestion that the Prime Minister might decide to hold on and face Parliament without a majority, met with strenuous opposition from the liberal and labor press.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The British Cabinet, it is understood, approved the action of Premier Stanley Baldwin in retaining his office for the present. Parliament meets early in January and Baldwin, despite conservative defeat, apparently intends to remain as prime minister and carry on without the majority.

Klan Is Barred From Campus of U of California

STANFORD, Cal., Dec. 11.—The Ku Klux Klan is barred from Stanford campus by Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of the university. The action follows a statement by Robert Burnett, El Paso student, soliciting students to poin the Stanford unit of the Klan.

Application For Christmas Pardons Reach the Gov'nor

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 11.—Applications for Christmas pardons are being received at the governor's office at the rate of twenty-five daily. Already more than three hundred are on hand.

R. L. Freelander of Waco was in Mexia Monday.

A. N. Tucker of Fairfield was in the city Sunday.

MEXICAN REBELS EXTEND SCOPE OF THEIR REVOLT

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 11.—Revolutionary forces under General Sanchez, which have engaged Federal troops in indecisive combat for three days at Jalapa, capital of Vera Cruze, were reported today to be extending the scope of their operations.

The rebellion in Vera Cruze appeared to be proving more difficult to put down than had been anticipated.

After capturing Jalapa, then losing it to Federals, a strong insurrectionist force attacked repeatedly and the tide of battle was swaying uncertainly when last reports were received.

President Obregon has arrived at Irapouto, where Federal cavalry is being concentrated for a drive to crush the rebels under General Estrada at Jalisco.

Obregon is reported to have sent his close friend and adviser, Ramon Ross, a member of the recent recognition conference, on an "urgent" official mission to the United States.

With the rebellion proving more serious than at first feared food prices have mounted so rapidly in Mexico City that demand for a food dictator has arisen. The Mexican Federation of Labor prepared to take action against the profiteers.

In an interview President Obregon declared that while he remained president "foreign lives and interests will be perfectly protected so long as these lives and interests keep out of this private quarrel." Obregon said the quarrel would be settled and without very great trouble. "We are not worried over the outcome," he said.

Twenty One Killed In Ohio In 1923 In Enforcing 'Drouth'

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 11.—Twenty-one persons were killed—seven of them local dry agents and fourteen bootleggers and rum runners—in gun battles as a result of attempts to enforce the prohibition laws in Ohio thus far in 1923, a newspaper survey revealed today.

Transfer Man Is Killed By Tyler Police

TYLER, Texas, Dec. 11.—Birdie Porter, operator of a transfer company, was shot and killed during a fight with M. E. Jolley, a special traffic policeman. He is survived by a widow and one child.

Private Financial Experts From U.S. To Be Appointed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The United States has accepted the invitation of the reparations commission for private American financial experts to take part in the inquiry into German's financial condition, President Coolidge formally announced in a statement. Will not participate as a government, he declared. American experts would be invited to take part by direct invitation of the reparations commission.

GAS MAINS ARE WASHED OUT

Several sections of the Lone Star Company's big gas main supplying Mexia with gas were washed out this morning at Wolf Creek near Wortham. It is supposed that the line was struck by something. A temporary line is being laid across the break which is under about four feet of water, and the local company expects to be able to supply some gas to the city by this evening.

Republicans Don't Want To Meet In Ohio

By FRAZER EDWARDS
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Rumblings of discontent over President Coolidge's designation of Cleveland as then ext Republican convention city grows in volume today as the Republican National Committee met to ratify the selection.

In response to the mutterings from Western and Midwestern Republicans there were evidences that a sham battle was to be staged before Clevelandand was named finally. Some "insiders" on the committee, indicated the battle would last for two days.

With Chicago definitely out of the running Des Moines and San Francisco are the chief contenders against Cleveland. The Des Moines delegation, headed by Former Senator Rawson of Iowa, is determined the selection shall not go by default. Armed with data showing the Iowa city to be well equipped in halls and hotels, Rawson intends to emphasize the political strategy of selecting Des Moines in the heart of the corn belt.

Western and Midwestern Republicans point to the political preference of Cleveland as a tactical error. Cleveland to the Western farmer is "East", they say. The psychological effect of holding the convention west of the Mississippi would do much for Republican success, they believe.

There were indications that New York might make a strong bid for the convention to prolong the battle, even if nothing was to be gained.

The flat refusal of the subcommittee in charge of the question to reconsider the cut in Southern representation in the convention was another source of worry to the Republican high command.

COOLIDGE SENDS MESSAGE ON MEXICAN TREATY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Coolidge sent to the Senate the Mexican teraty, carrying out the details of recognition agreement. The fighting in Mexico won't cause a postponement of ratification.

PINKERTON DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—William A. Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, died at a local hotel five days after his arrival. He was taken suddenly ill.

Barley Jones of Greenville was a Mexia visitor Monday.

G. C. Parker of Waco was in Mexia on business Monday.

James Fulgham of Keechi was in the city Monday.

MRS. LEEDS WOULD SERVE MRS. STILLMAN.

Mrs. Florence Leeds and Mrs. James A. Stillman

Mrs. James A. Stillman, successful defendant in the sensational divorce action brought by her husband, formerly President of the National City Bank of New York, America's greatest financial institution, who declared her baby, Guy, was the son of Fred Beauvis, a Canadian Indian, has received a letter from Mrs. Flo Leeds, who was alleged to have been friendly with Stillman and to have been the mother of his son, "Sturdy". Mrs. Leeds, now a saleswoman in a New York shop, asked Mrs. Stillman's patronage, as she is working on a commission basis to support herself and her son.

BASEBALL HEADS HAVE FIFTEEN HOUR MEET IN CHICAGO

By JAMES T. KOLBERT
(United Press Staff Corresopdent)

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Worn out by almost fifteen hours of continuous conferences, the national board of arbitration of professional baseball leagues, adjourned at 4 o'clock this morning without announcing a decision in the dispute between William McCarthy and Harry Williams over the presidency of the Pacific Coast League.

J. H. Farrell, secretary of the board, said that the body would resume discussions around noon. A decision may be handed down late today or tonight, he said.

While the conference room was sealed and inquisitive persons were shooed from the doors, it was manifest that an extremely bitter fight was on.

The board went into session early in the afternoon on Monday and the McCarthy-Williams case was called almost immediately. Summed up, McCarthy contended that the vote ousting him and seating Williams, was illegal. Williams argued the vote was legal in every respect.

Six lawyers represented the contestants and final arguments in the case were not concluded until after midnight. The board conferred until 4 o'clock and decided to sleep on the matter.

Under the so far placid surface of the major league waters a battle is brewing that may erupt with a crash tomorrow. The case of Urban Shocker of St. Louis contains the dynamite. Phil Ball, president of the club announced that he would keep Shocker in the face of the latter's demand to be made a free agent. Shocker has applied to Commissioner Landis for a ruling to free him from St. Louis.

Shocker agrues that the club nullified his contract by inflicting an unjustified penalty on him—slapping a suspension on him because he insisted on having Mrs. Shocker accompany him East.

If Landis rules with Shocker the explosion may follow. Baseball sharks hold that Landis can not do otherwise under the circumstances.

Ban Johnson, president of the American League, does not feel any too friendly toward Landis. Johnson feels that Landis has overstepped his powers and resents encroachment up on American League territory. President Heydler of the National League was understood to have conferred with Johnson in the latter's home. What this conference portends no one knows.

The two major leagues will meet in joint conference tomorrow.

The ivory hunters attracted to the annual meeting of the majors and minors are doing thriving business involving millions of dollars and scores of star-in conversation, at

WICHITA KLAN CHARGED WITH REGULATING MORALS OF COUNTY

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Members of the Ku Klux Klan have been "taking into their own hands enforcement of the law and regulation of the morals of their community" the final report of the grand jury charged an investigation had revealed.

The jury also reported that neither the officers nor members of the klan had given the grand jurors any assistance in running down participants in the score or more of floggings in this county during the past 18 months.

"Infamous and slanderous" reports circulated about whipping party victims in all cases were found to be untrue, the grand jury declared, and were only spread in order to "appease the wrath of an outraged public on account of the brutal and barbarous assault."

PIERCE DIES

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Peyton Pierce, slayer of his wife and daughter, died this morning without regaining consciousness.

BELTON, Texas, Dec. 11.—The cases of Bayley Vierek and Ernest Schaffner, charged in connection with the fatal Sealy street battle, were postponed until February 4 on motion of District Attorney Brewster here yesterday. Absence of important witnesses caused the delay. These witnesses were fined $100 each by the court, included John Miller and Dr. E. P. Hill, both of Houston.

Due to the joint meeting Friday night of all local civic clubs and the American Legion, Nowlin Post and the Auxiliary deferred their luncheon club Tuesday in anticipation of attending that event.

V. W. Thodbug of Marlin spent Sunday in Mexia.

C. L. Smith of Corsicana was in Mexia Sunday and Monday.

Miss Charlotte Mayfield of Austin was a guest at the Majestic Hotel Sunday.

James A. Wear of Coolidge was in the city Monday.

Four Hastily Get Away As Shots Are Fired At Them

LANSING, Kans., Dec. 11.—Four convicts made a dramatic escape from the Kansas State prison here last night—the second group to gain their freedom from the penitentiary within a week.

One man was wounded in an attempt to prevent the escape and a fifth prisoner trying to make his getaway was shot down as he scaled the prison wall.

The dash for freedom came soon after the convicts had been locked in their cells for the night. It was carried out with great daring. The prisoners threw a switch cutting off all the lights on the prison grounds; attempted to put the telephone switchboard out of commission and then just as they were going up a ladder over the walls, the lights were turned on again due to the bravery and loyalty of a wounded trusty.

As the five were going over the walls, great searchlights from all parts of the grounds flooded the ladder and outlined their forms clearly. Guards in towers at each end of the wall opened fire with high powered rifles, sweeping the barricade over which the men were scrambling.

Jumping from the hail of bullets, the men leaped 35 feet to the ground. As Charles Kavanaugh jumped, a bullet struck him in the leg and he was captured. The other four escaped into the darkness. A posse of nearly 200 searched throughout the night for the quartet without success.

Shortly before midnight, Kavanaugh rang for Edward Stewart, the trusty in charge of the row of cells at night, and told him there was a leak from a water pipe, Stewart unlocked the cell door to investigate and Kavanaugh's cellmate, John Stitzel leveled a revolver which apparently had been smuggled in, at him.

The two prisoners took Stewart's keys, locked him in their cell; held up Frank Henderson, a guard and obtained additional keys, then locked Henderson with Stewart. After unlocking the cells of Brizzell Pratt, Celon Richardson and Walter Gary, the five rushed to the power house.

Alec Smith, trusty life termer, who showed great heroism in his efforts to prevent the escape, was working in the power house. The men ordered him to cut the prison wires. He refused. They then attempted to throw a switch turning off all prison lights. Smith stepped in their way. Richardson stabbed Smith in the side seriously wounding him.

The men then threw the switch turning off all lights, obtained a ladder from a locker and made their way toward the prison wall.

Enroute they stopped at the telephone office and ordered Roy Reed operator, to destroy the switchboard. Reed refused. They cursed him but the prisoners had already wasted much time and they hurried on toward the wall. As the ladder was placed against the barricade, the lights were again flashed on.

Smith, seriously wounded, had made his way to the hospital and spread the alarm. The switch turning on the current was thrown and a great battery of powerful searchlights turned darkness into day and focused on the fugitives.

Although guards swept the wall with bullets from high powered rifles, all but Kavanaugh escaped.

Kavanaugh has a long prison record having once been sentenced to a life term in the Minnesota State penitentiary. This term was being served on a sentence of from one to five years; Stitzel, convicted of manslaughter in Sumner county, was serving a five to twenty-one year sentence; Richardson was sentenced to from five to fifteen years from Leavenworth county for grand larceny; Garey was convicted in Wichita of murder and sentenced to forty years; Pratt was serving from two to twenty-one years for robbery.

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NATIONAL TAXATION POLICY

Collier's Weekly has presented for discussion the national taxation policy proposed by a notable business leader and summarized below:

1. Taxes should be planned primarily for their social effect.

2. Every person should be encouraged to earn and invest as much money as possible during his lifetime.

3. Large fortunes should be broken up at death.

4. Abolish income surtaxes. They discourage productive effort.

5. If we do this, tax-exempt securities will have no special value for tax-dodging. This would make unnecessary the amendment providing against tax exemption.

6. Put a graduated tax on all gifts and inheritances, to be computed on the amount received by each beneficiary.

7. Exempt small gifts and legacies; tax lightly up to $250,000; legacies of $10,000,000 might pay as heavily as 50 per cent.

8. To prevent sudden depreciation in values, legatees of large sums should be given 10 to 15 years in which to pay the tax.

SHIP PHONES IN DENMARK

The United Steamship Company, of Copenhagen, Denmark, plans to install wireless telephone equipment on all boats plying between Copenhagen and the provincial harbors for the traveling public's convenience. Travelers will be able to secure direct communication, through the land telephone service, with their own homes or offices similar to the service planned for the S. S. Leviathan.

RAILROAD VALUATIONS

The government has spent a hundred million dollars and has forced the railroads to spend a hundred and fifty million more in tabulating railroad valuations. The result has proved what every railroad student, financier and economist knew—that there is more surplus than water in our railroad shares. Measured by any honest standard our twenty billion dollar railroad capitalization that has been pounded by politics, labor unions and legislation down to sixty cents on the dollar, could not be replaced at twice today's market valuation. (Boston News Bureau.)

MAKE THE STREETS SAFE FOR THE DEMOCRACY

Commending the editorial in Monday's News concerning reckless driving by girls and boys of irresponsible years, weak arms and brains, many citizens have urged the home newspaper to continue its crusade against any and all practices of speeding along Mexia's streets and avenues.

One observer stated that he knew of one man who had thought of moving to Mexia but who changed his mind when he saw the carelessness of scores of automobile drivers while passing through the residential areas and business district. He said he was afraid to move here as he had a wife and four children whom he feared might be killed.

It is a fact that Mexia has lost more lives in automobile tragedies than she lost in the last great war to which she sent a company of her sons.

It is not infrequent that the remark is heard on street corners in the business district: "Well, I got across that time, but I don't know whether I can next time or not."

While considering the subject, too it is well to warn the walking public against careless walking. That's an evil also. Citizens are noted daily cutting corners at the intersection of our busiest thoroughfares or sauntering across the streets with heads down and heedless of others who might be on foot or in cars.

Let's make our highways and streets safe for the democracy.

NOW COMES THE COLORED CLAN

And now comes the news that the negroes have organized a "Colored Clan," having received a charter from the state of Texas.

The purpose of the corporation is "supporting and fostering among members of the negro race of this State and the United States concerted and organized charity, and for the encouragement of the study, respect for and upholding of the laws of this State and the United States and the dissemination of the knowledge concerning them in order that they might more fully know and understand them, and thereby obey them more intelligently."

The incorporators are G. L. Southern, Jack A. Grom and W. Parker, all of San Antonio. The corporation is without capital stock.

Of course there will be an outcry against this clan because it bars from its membership citizens of other color and odor.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 10.—The body of Miss Velma Resch, 24, will be buried in the young woman's wedding gown and lillies will supplant orange blossoms. Miss Leech who died Saturday was to have been married during the Christmas holidays.

EVANSTON, Ill.—Cincinnati University, Missouri University, Michigan Aggies and possibly Notre Dame will be included in Northwestern's 1924 football schedule beside conference games, Athletic Director Evans announced.

Dr. Marion M. Brown was a Waco visitor Sunday.

LITTLE FOXES

ROADS.

Eternal vigilance is the price of highways and good roads maintenance.

Lack of provisions for their proper upkeep means great waste in the end.

Neglect occasionally even is expensive. Constant neglect is prearranged ruin and destruction and the particular strip of roadway concerned soon becomes a tumbling monument to the lack of foresight, to the carelessness, and to the unbusinesslike judgement of the people who voted the bonds for its original construction.

Better not to vote road bonds, saddling a debt on future generations, than to vote them without provision for constant attention and repairs whenever necessary.

The little drop of water wears away the stone and a little neglect following every rainfall and inattention following damage by traffic ordinarily will wear away the road long before the bonds disappear.

Highways, cross state or cross continent, roads through a precinct or county, avenues or streets through one block or across a city, should be handled in a business like way, kept like the successful merchant keeps his stock or like the good housewife keeps her home.

Dr. Frank Crane has well said: "If the railway management look after the roadbeds the same way as the city looks after its streets, they would not send out any section hands to repair a road until there had been a wreck."

Foolish indeed are the city, precinct, county, state or country that wait for a road to go to utter ruin before sending out the "section hands" to make the highways safe for the democracy.

Beware of the Little Foxes.

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

BY A. GARLAND ADAIR

OUR CONSTITUTION

Henry D. Estabrook paid the following stirring tribute to the Constitution of the United States, in an address before the Missouri Bar Association at Kansas City, Mo., in the year 1923:

"O marvelous Constitution! Magic parchment, transforming word, maker, monitor, guardian of mankind! Thou hast gathered to thy impartial bosom the peoples of the earth, Columbia, and called them equal. Thou hast conferred upon them imperial sovereignty, revoking all titles but that of man. Native and exotic, rich and poor, good and bad, old and young, the lazy and the industrious, those who love and those who hate, the mean and the lowly, the high and the mighty, the wise and the foolish, the prudent and the imprudent, the cautious and the hasty, the honest and the dishonest, those who pray and those who curse—these are God's children—these are thy rulers, O Columbia. Into our hands thou hast committed the destinies of the human race, even to the omega of thine own destruction. And all thou requirest of us before we o'erstep boundaries blazed for guidance is what is required of us at every railroad crossing in the country. 'Stop, Look, Listen. Stop and think. Look before and after and to the right and left. Listen to the voice of reason and to the still small voice of conscience."

"I would fight for every line in the Constitution as I would for every star in the flag, for flag and constitution will live or die together."

Heavy rains have retarded work today in the oil fields and on wildcats drilling in the Mexia territory. With the return of fair weather, however, things will be lively once more.

MUSIC IN THE WATER

KINSTON, N. C. (United Press.)—When the orchestra in a negro theatre here fell through the floor the audience refused to accept it as an excuse for dispensing with music. Piano, traps, other instruments and their players piled up in the basement. The piano fell right side up. The gallery howled for "music with its movies." The piano player stepped into the breach. The basement was flooded from a rain, but he donned boots, secured a chair and "sailed in." His first tune was "Sailing, Sailing, Over the Bounding Main."

A RED-HEADED CLUB

NEW YORK, (United Press.)—The "red-headed" girls of Hunter College have formed a club. Any kind of red from burnished gold to plain old brick-red, entitles the wearer to membership. The invitations to social events of the Red-Headed Club are appropriately written on red cards.

Premier Baldwin Visits The King

By LLOYD ALLEN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Premier Stanley Baldwin visited the King at Buckingham Palace today.

Returning from Chequers, permanent country residence set aside for British Prime ministers, the man held responsible for the conservative debacle in the general election summoned his party leaders to No. 10 Downing street.

After a conference which was determined whether he should resign, Baldwin drove to the Palace.

The best information obtainable early this afternoon was that Baldwin had not tendered his resignation to the King but had acquainted His Majesty with the conservative party's views of the situation. The Morning Post understands the summons to the Palace came at Baldwin's request.

One apparently reliable report was that the Prime Minister intends to retain office until Parliament meets.

MOSCOW.—Russia will shortly ship to the United States 55,000 dozens of playing cards.

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GUEST OF THE HEART

By Ben B. Hunt.

A LOVE LETTER

There's love with this letter, my darling,
In my heart is a song of praise.
I love you most tenderly, dear one,
And the strength of my love will amaze.
No business affairs shall engulf me,
No duties in life shall intrude
To prevent me from thinking, sweetheart,
Of all that my thought should include.

Always and ever I think of you
While Time swings along in his flight
From the sun-kist hills of the morning
To the star deck'd valleys of night.
I hear ev'ry cry of your heart, dear,
I know ev'ry pain in your soul;
I'll aid you from daylight 'til dark, dear,
As we journey on to life's goal.

Always I'll walk by the side of you,
Together we'll face ev'ry foe;
The problems of life we will conquer
And overcome failure and woe.
And when to the end we have journey'd,
Attain'd the great purpose of God,
We will wonder and wonder and wonder
At the joy of the path that we trod.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

PHILADELPHIA.—Panco Villa, world's flyweight champion, won the judges' decision over Patsy Wallace, Philadelphia, in ten rounds. Pete Sarmiento, Filipino and Bobby Walgast of Atlantic City, bantams, fought ten fast rounds to a draw in the semifinal. Hugh Clements, 194, Boston and Joe Savage, 194, Philadelphia, drew in a 6-round bout.

PHILADELPHIA.—Alex Hart, of Cleveland, lightweight, will meet Freddy Jacks, England, in a 10-round decision bout here tonight. Ad Stone and Tommy Nelson, both light-heavyweights, will fight in the semi-windup.

BLUE ISLAND, Ill.—Bud Taylor, Terre Haute bantam will meet John McCoy of Cleveland in a 10-round bout here Dec. 21.

MEMPHIS.—Eddie Anderson of Chicago outpointed Jimmy Russo of St. Louis in eight rounds here last night. They are bantams.

CINNAMON TOAST

Mix 1 teaspoon of cinnamon thoroughly with 1-3 cup sugar. Sprinkle on hot, well-buttered toast. Toast the top side again and serve hot.

This is particularly toothsome with afternoon tea or for Sunday night supper.

If you or your family like raisins, they may be mixed with the sugar and cinnamon, made into a paste with melted butter and spread on dry oast. It is delicious.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Toast helps the housewife to use up left-overs or to make expensive delicacies go further.

When serving a creamed dish on toast, the housewife should use a cream sauce of moderate thickness and the crisper kind of toast. When this is done the toast absorbs some of the sauce and the flavor without getting the least bit tough.

Fred Karner has returned from a few days spent in Dallas.

OIL

The Masters Company, Inc., has a derrick up on the Easterling lands North of Chatfield in Navarro County and plan to spud in another wildcat within the next few days.

The Allison-Taylor test on the Jackson tract is understood to be drilling in hard lime formation. A fishing job has just been completed.

The Lewis well on the Swink, near Richland, will begin bailing probably the latter part of this week. The cement plug has already been drilled out and the casing is said to be in fine condition.

Production at Powell this week is slightly above 100,000 barrels daily.

The production at Mexia is around 40,000 barrels daily.

The J. K. Hughes Developing Company, last Friday, brought in its Alexander No. 2 for 4,000 barrels daily flush.

Garland Kent completed the Fleming No. 10 Friday for 2,500 barrels flush.

The E. L. Smith Oil Company has several wells in the Powell field, augmenting the daily production very appreciably.

The Humble Company has completed its Fleming No. 8 for a small producer.

With fair weather wildcatting will be the new order of the day in Navarro County.

Fuel oil was being sent out to the Big Williams Rosson wildcat Monday. It was hoped to continue drillin today, weather permitting.

It is learned that a pipe line is being constructed to the shallow pool in Falls County, southwest of here 35 miles.

News comes from Ennis that orders have been received from the Denver office of the Ellis-Mexia Oil Company to remove the old rig on the company test near Ferris to make room for a standard rig which is expected to arrive at an early date. The completion of the test is planned at once.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 11.—Colonel Ike S. Ashburn commandant of Texas A. & M. College, has resigned his post to take a position Jan. 1 as executive secretry of the A. & M. Former Students' Association. Col. Ashburn has been connected with the school since 1913. His successor has not been chosen.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight and Wednesday probably rain, somewhat colder in east and south tonight. Moderate to fresh northerly winds on the coast.

West Texas.—Tonight and Wednesday probably snow in the north, rain or snow in south. Warmer in Panhandle Wednesday.

WEATHERFORD, Texas, Dec. 11.—Half of the truckload of turkeys Ed Pickard brought to market were read to be picked when he arrived here. They were smothered to death enroute, due to too much crowding.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Fire damage totaling $25,000 was caused to the Higsbee Electric company building here early today. The blaze was of undetermined origin.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—C. P. Russell was named president of the board of education here last night, suceeding W. E. Greiner, resigned.

John Kennon of Tuckertown was in Mexia Sunday.

Longworth G. O. P Leader in House.

Nicholas Longworth

Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Cincinnati, O., son-in-law of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, is the Republican floor leader in the new House of Representatives.

District Attorney Chester Macken is confined to his room this week on account of sickness. His many friends hope for his early return to health and strength.

Roscoe Cook, Billy Wilson and Joe Arrington are on a deer hunt in southwest Texas. According to telephonic information received by Mrs. Wilson Monday, Billy killed a deer within twenty minutes after reaching the famous grounds.

Cole Younger (Slim) Summers was in from Kirven Saturday and brought a fine mess of home made sausage for the editor, which was enjoyed very much by all of "us."

Ben Hartley, traveling representative for a Dallas paper house, was in Mexia on business Monday.

Kansas City Star
Tulsa World
Tulsa Tribune
Denver Post
San Antonio Express
Shreveport Times
Daily Oklahoman
A few of the different newspapers we sell.
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Patterson's Column

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DOUGLAS McLEAN in his
FUNNIEST PLAY
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AND IS a new one
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THE PRINCIPAL business
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SHORT ADVERTISEMENT or
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POINT
THEY MAY be printed
WITH CRAYON or marking
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'Cadet' Silk Hose...$2 to $3
'Armor Plate' Silk Hose at.....$2 to $2.50
Silk Hose at.....$1.50
Silk Hose at.....$1.25

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Have you stopped at the Stationery Counter lately? A wonderful assortment, priced in the 'Cheeves' way Pretty stationery on display in all the new things at $1, at $1.50, at $2.50 to $5

Handkerchiefs

Nearly $1,000.00 worth of men's and ladies handkerchiefs on display.

Men's hand-made linen handkerchiefs at.....$1.50

Men's handkerchiefs, all kinds and prices—many put in box assortments for Xmas presents.

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You will have to see this toilet goods counter in order to know what a complete assortment we are showing. Many standard lines of special Xmas packages. Ask to see this line.

Gifts for Men

—Pajamas —Belts
—Shirts —Suspenders
—Ties —Cuff Buttons
—Sox —Belt Buckles
—Underwear —Hand Grips
—Bath Robes —Suit Cases
—Gloves —Handkerchiefs

Gifts for Boys

—Boys Overcoats —Handkerchiefs
—Boys Suits —Sweaters
—Boys Raincoats —Gloves
—Boys Shirts —Tool Chests
—Boys Blouses —Erecto Sets
—Boys Hose

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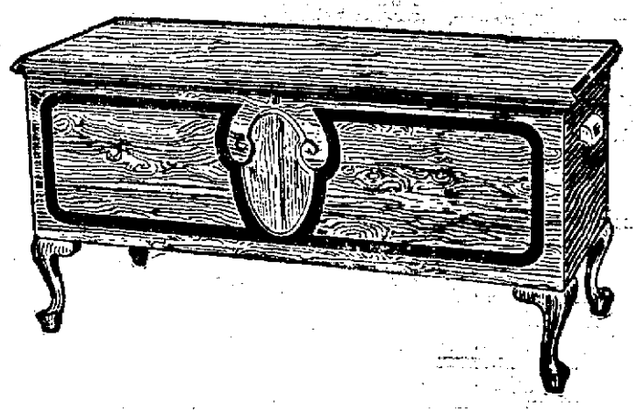

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Consider the utility of a cedar chest. A beautiful article of furniture to grace your home. Dust proof, damp proof, moth proof protection for your furs, clothing, blankets, and similar articles. A safe place for storage that is as convenient as a drawer in your dressing table.

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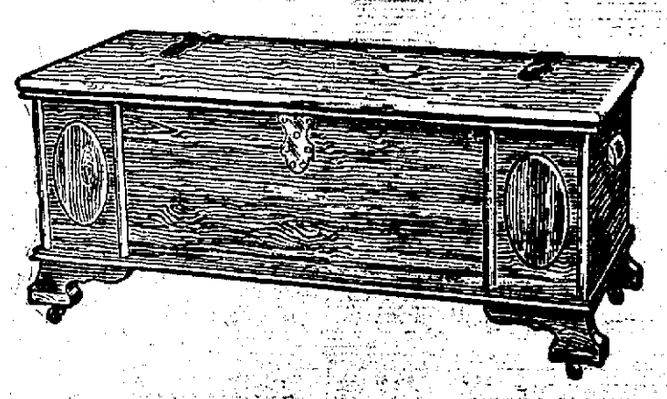

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BOXING ON DEFENSIVE, SAYS FARREL

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Boxing, of its many popular American sports, is on the defensive most of the time. It is criticized more than any other sport and it deserves some of the defamatory things said about it. Oratorical defenses mean nothing and it is rather sad that its most used defensive argument is its silliest—"the manly art of self-defense."

Arguments that every one should learn how to box so as to be able to knock out a thug when attacked and endorsements of the game founded on assertions that boxing won the war are absurd.

Boxers themselves know that.

One of the present world's champions, also one of the best educated and most mentally fit of them all, was approached recently by the representative of a syndicate with an offer to write his life and a series of instructions on boxing.

He was not interested and he was frank about it.

"It would be a source of very little revenue in the first place," he said. "And then also I am not stupid enough to think that I am so much of a personage that the public would be interested in reading about my life. I do not believe it could be done with modesty.

"Also, I would not write a series of instructions on boxing. I do not want to teach anyone to box, or to recommend it as a profession. There is no such thing as boxing. It is fighting and the purpose of it is to make money I would not teach a son of mine to fight and I do not want to be instrumental in encouraging the son of another to get into the business.

"I would be willing to teach a young ster how to keep himself physically fit, teach him how to develop himself and how to retain his health and vigor I would like to do that, but it can never be done because to carry out the instructions it would entail some sacrifices, Such lessons never would be a success, because boys wont follow advice of that kind."

Many Draw Pensions From the U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Altho more than a century has elapsed since the war of 1812, widows of 40 veterans of that conflict still remain on the roll of the United States Pension Office, the annual report of the Commissioner of Pensions disclosed today.

Pensions paid out in the last fiscal year amounted to $266,012,500, bringing up the total disbursements to pensioners, under the pension system which dates back to 1790 to $6,606,356,621.

The pension roll during the past year was made up of 168,633 Civil War veterans, 261,580 Civil War widows, 68,393 Spanish War veterans and 13,167 Spanish War widows. There are yet on the roll 49 soldiers of the Mexican War, the report said.

During the year, 25,462 Civil War veterans and 23,971 Civil War widows died.

Disposal of 159,727 claims in the last year left 50,667 claims pending on July 1. Cooperation with the regular workers by temporary employees has resulted in bringing the work of the bureau to a current basis the report stated. Of the claims disposed of 51,462 were based on Civil War service and 69,854 on service in the war with Spain.

Over Six Million Pensions

Pension certificates issued amounted to 73,562 of which 21,961 were for Civil War service and 35,891 for service in the Spanish War, bringing up the total certificates issued since the beginning of the system to 6,441,165, the report said.

The net loss to the pension roll in the past year was 7,260. This was largely offset, the report stated, by a gain of 25,364 to the Spanish War soldier roll and an addition of 4,176 to the Spanish War widow roll.

The average annual value of a pension of all classes is $421.02. The average value of a pension paid Civil War veterans is $661; of the war with Spain, $187; of the war with Mexico, $729; of the Indian wars, $217.

The average annual pension paid to a widow of a Civil War veteran is $359; of a Spanish War veteran, $240, of a Mexican War veteran, $351; of an Indian War veteran, $149; and by death of a soldier husband from injury or disease originating while in the service $213.

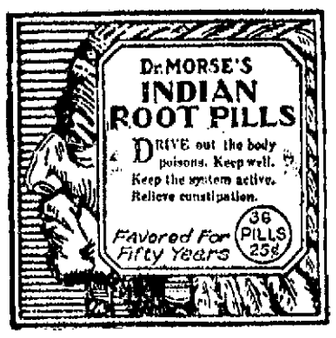
Pensions are paid at rates varying from $2 per month to $416.67 per month. Pensions at rates below $12 per month are being paid to 6,725 persons, while six persons are being paid at rates in excess of $100 per monht.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

ERIE, Pa.—Buddy De Marco, Pittsburgh, got a decision over Phil Logan, Buffalo, in ten rounds. Spider Bryan, Oswego, N. Y., and Scotty Reaburn, Youngstown, fought to a draw in six rounds.

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—Notre Dame's grid schedule will be cut from ten to eight games next year, the athletic board has decided. Coach Lockne is on his way to New York today, where it is believed he will negotiate for an Eastern game on the Irish 1924 card.

Dr. Roy Leamon was in his office Monday, following having his tonsils removed the Saturday before.



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Free Show To Grammar School Kids Saturday

Mr. L. S. Patterson of the Patterson Jewelry Company of this city is giving through the co-operation of Pat Box of the National theatre a free morning matinee at that theatre next Saturday morning at 10 a. m.

This show—one of the best that has ever been seen here—is positively free to all pupils of Grammar grades, both boys and girls. The children will form on commerce street in front of or near Patterson Jewelry Company store at 9:30.

At 9:45 a fifteen minutes parade will be held over principal business streets which will be participated in by all pupils and $5.00 in gold will be given to the boy or girl carrying the best advertising slogan adaptable to Patterson Jewelry Company business.

Mr. Patterson's advertising column carries complete details today. This offers a good opportunity to the boys and girls to show their ability in slogan writing.

The judges who will award the prize are Mr. C. L. Tatum advertising manager of the Mexia Daily News and Mr. John McElroy, manager of the Higdon-McElroy Company of this city.

American Oil Paintings In Clark Contest

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The ninth exhibition of contemporary American oil paintings at the Corcoran Art Gallery, one of the outstanding art events of the year, today awaited the verdict of the public.

After six weeks devoted to clearing the galleries of the regular collections and to hanging the work of the contemporary artists, during which time the Gallery has been closed, the doors were to be thrown open today and the winners of prizes announced.

The jury of selection and award this year consisted of Edward W. Redfield, of Center Bridge, Pa., chairman; Gari Melchers, of Virginia, and New York; Ralph Clarkson, Chicago, Lillian Wescott Hale, Boston and Rockwell Kent, New York.

Redfield is a well known painter of winter landscapes. His work is represented in both the Corcoran and National galleries here. Melchers is renowned for his figure paintings and interiors. Clarkson is primarily portrait painter, as is Lillian Hale, though Mrs. Hale possesses a very distinguished talent for interiors with figures. Kent is one of the interesting figures of the art world, a daring innovator, a brilliant artist and illustrator and an unusual character.

The cash prizes awarded at this years exhibition, as at previous showings are derived from the William A. Clark fund of $100,000, the interest of which is used for this purpose and for the purchase of works of art. Clark was formerly United States Senator from Montana.

The prizes are first, $2,000 and the Corcoran gold medal; second, $1,500 and the Corcoran silver medal; third, $1,000 and the Corcoran bronze medal; fourth, $500 and honorary mention.

An additional prize of $200, determined by poular vote of visitors to the exhibition will be awarded in January. Keenest inerest attends this determination of the most popular painting exhibited. The public's choice is rarely that of the jury.

Mrs. C. W. Cone, who has been spending the week end with relatives at Dallas, returned home yesterday.

We take mail subscriptions and deliver

Dallas Morning News

Dallas Journal

Waco News-Tribune

Houston Chronicle

The Mexia Daily News

Mexia Weekly Herald

and others

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J. R. Preson spent the first of the week with his family here. He is at present making his headquarters at Corsicana.

Euel Hall of the J. R. Neece Lumber Company spent Sunday with home folks in Hillsboro.

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It is not what you earn but what you save that counts.

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GIFTS THAT LAST

A visit to our show cases will convince you we have everything that is Jewelry.

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Old Jewelry Made New and Old Watches Made to Keep Time

The Money Question

That question is uppermost in the minds of most people most of the time.

Those who have settled the question are with few exceptions, those who have long ago adopted the habit of saving.

Those who have yet to settle it, will also settle it in this way.

There is no royal road to easy street. Combine your determination with our helpful attitude and resources, and your success, while it may come gradually, will be sure to come.

This bank stands squarely behind the interests of every patron.

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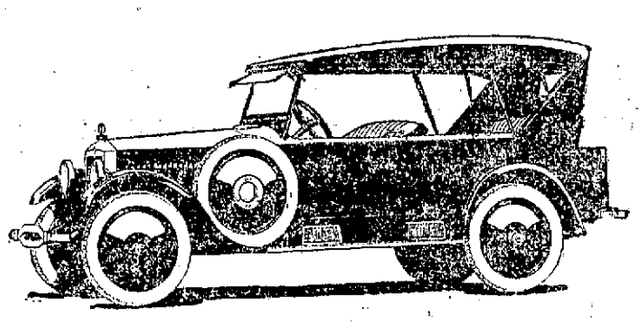
A Studebaker for Xmas



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This car was created to meet the demand for a comfortable five-passenger car of long wheel-base with power, speed and of striking appearance. The body is finished in rich maroon, set off by disc wheels, com-modious trunk, tailored top and nickel-plated bumpers. We now have this car on display.

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BEGINNING WEDNESDAY MORNING DEC. 12TH.

Ladies' Coats
—One lot of Ladies' Long and Short Coats priced from—
$2.98 to $24.98

Suits
—One lot of Ladies' pretty Suits in assorted sizes in this sale, priced at—
$8.98 to $19.98

Dresses
—One lot of Ladies' dresses in assorted colors and sizes. Going in this Sale
$2.93 to $14.98

Top Skirts
—One lot of ladies' top skirts, regular price $3.50 to $5.50, going in this sale
98c

House Dresses
—One lot of Ladies' House Dresses assorted in size and color. We are going to sell them out for only—
84c

Gingham and Organdie Dresses
—One big lot of Ladies' Gingham and Organdie Dresses. We are going to close out from—
$1.48 to $2.98

Wool Sweaters
—One lot of Ladies' Wool Sweaters going in this sale—
$1.48 to $3.98

Silk Hose
—Ladies Silk Hose, assorted colors, assorted sizes, regular 75c values, now on sale at per pair 48c
Ladies' Silk Hose, worth $1.00, now on sale at per pair 68c
Regular $1.50 Silk Hose, now on sale at only 98c
Regular $2.00 Silk Hose now on sale at only $1.48
Regular $2.50 Silk Hose now on sale at only $1.88
Regular $3.50 Silk Hose now on sale at only $2.48

Suspenders - Belts - Neckties - Gloves
Men's Caps and Hats will be sold at very low prices during this sale.

Store Will Be Closed All Day Tuesday Arranging for the Big Clean Up Sale

FREE We will give to the first ten customers buying $10 worth of goods or more, a big size doll worth $7.50 to $10 absolutely FREE. No game of chance—you buy the goods cheap and get the doll FREE!

THE BIG SALE WILL BEGIN WEDNESDAY MORNING, 9:30

We mean strictly business! Cotton has gone up in price but our dry goods are coming down. We are sure that the people of Mexia and surrounding country remember the BIG VALUES given in our last sale. We are going to give Bigger Bargains this time. You can buy clothes for your whole family at our store and buy them real cheap. Don't take our word—just come on down to the Big Clean Up Sale and you will see that we are telling you the truth.

If you have got lots of children you will save Lots of MONEY!

Ginghams
Regular 20c grade, yard 14½c
Regular 25c grade, yard 19½c
Regular 35c grade, yard ..... 24 c

Domestic
25c Domestic at yard 17½c

Outing and Canton Flannel
25c grades on sale at per yd 17½c

Union Suits
—Ladies' union suits, regular $1.50 values, now on sale at each 94c
—One lot of unions worth $1.95, now on sale at $1.25

Special on Hose
Regular 20c ladies' hose 12c
Regular 25c ladies' hose 18c
Regular 35c ladies' hose 25c
Regular 50c ladies' hose 38c

SHOES SHOES SHOES
Our big line of shoes are on sale at greatly reduced prices.

Men's Dress Shoes
Regular $5.00 Shoes, sale price $3.98
Regular $6.00 Shoes, sale price $4.98
Regular $7.50 Shoes, sale price $5.98
Regular $8.50 Shoes, sale price $6.98

Work Shoes
Regular $3.00 Shoes, sale price $2.48
Regular $4.50 Shoes, sale price $3.48
Regular $5.00 Shoes, sale price $3.98

Dress Boots
Officers Army Dress Boots, solid leather, going in this sale at $3.98

Work Boots
Good work boots, regular price $11.98, on sale at $8.48
Regular $9.95 boots, on sale at $7.95
Regular $7.50 boots, on sale at $6.48

Men's Union Suits
Real heavy fleeced line first quality, regular $1.95 grade, on sale at $1.48
Good heavy union retailing at $1.50, on sale at $1.24

Men's Handkerchiefs
One lot of men's handkerchiefs on sale at each 5c
One lot on sale at each 8c

SPECIAL
Ladies' House Shoes, all sizes and colors at per pair—
84c

Silk Sox
Men's Silk Sox, regular 65c grade, on sale at per pair 48c
Men's Silk Sox, regular $1.25 grade, on sale at per pair 98c

Men's Sox
Regular 15c kind, on sale at 10c
Regular 20c kind, on sale at 14c
Regular 25c kind, on sale at 18c

Men's Overalls
Men's regular $1.95 overalls on sale at —$1.48
Men's regular $2.25 overalls on sale at —$1.68

Boys' Suits
One big lot of boys suits, regular prices $7.00 to $18.00, on sale at
$2.98 to $9.98
We are going to close out the entire line. We will absolutely lose money on boys suits.

Boy's Knee Pants
We are going to close out our entire line of boys pants at 25c to 50c on the dollar during this sale.

Boy's Overalls
One lot of real good overalls; 240 denim, regular price $1.25, sale price 98c

Men's Clothing
—One lot of men's all wool suits, ranging in price from $24 to $35 will be closed out at—
$14.98 to $24.98

Sheep Skin Coats
—One lot of sheep skin coats worth $18.50 to close out at—
$11.98 to $9.98

Mackinaws
—One lot of men's mackinaws to close out for—
$4.48 to $6.48

Khaki Pants
One lot of men's khaki pants, regular price $1.95 on sale at $1.48
One lot of the $2.50 kind at $1.88
One lot of $3.50 values at $2.88
One lot of Whip Cord pants, lace leg or button, worth $5.00 at $3.98
One lot of lace pants, regular price $3.00, on sale at $2.48

Dress Pants
One lot of men's dress pants, regular price $3.50, on sale at per pair $2.48
Dress pants, regular price $4.50, on sale at per pair $2.88
Dress pants, regular price $6.50 on sale at per pair $5.48
Dress pants, regular $7.50 values on sale at per pair $6.48

Men's Dress Shirts
$6.50 Silk Shirts, on sale at $4.48
$5.00 Silk Shirts, on sale at $3.98
$3.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at $2.88
$2.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at $1.88
$1.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at 98c

Men's Work Shirts
65c Work Shirts, sale price 48c
95c Work Shirts, sale price 68c
Men's Big Yank Khaki Shirts, regular price $1.50, sale price 98c
Men's Flannel Shirts, regular price $1.50, sale price 98c
Men's Flannel Shirts, regular price $1.75, sale price $1.24

Men's Army Wool Shirts
$5.00 Shirts on sale at $3.48

Remember the date and place! Be here when the doors swing open. Max Beiber, manager of Beiber Brothers, will be at the door to greet every customer. WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 12th.

SPECIAL
Men's [illegible] regular $5.00 values $2.98
One table of shoes, assorted sizes, sale price per pair $1.48

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—During the first two days of our sale we will give free to the customer who trades the most over $50 a beautiful 8 piece silver and gold punch set. Our windows will be closed with circulars during our sale.

SPECIAL
One counter of solid leather slippers in broken sizes, per pair 98c

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James Rennie, Bebe Daniels and Mahlon Hamilton in a scene from the Paramount Picture "His Children's Children" A Sam Wood Production

National Theatre Tomorrow

Arrangements Made For Record Flight By Moonlight From Dallas To Mexia

Flying from Dallas to Mexia by moonlight with the express intention to lower the record for distance flown if possible Mr. Edward La Valle formerly of Ellington field United States Air service will hop off at Dallas Fair Park Friday night about 8.00 o'clock

Mr. La Valle was in Mexia Monday making final arrangements for landing at Gusher park here and expects to make the 90 miles in 35 minutes.

He will use a monster De Haviland plane and will follow the switch lights of the H. & T. C. railroad the entire distance.

This flight is being made under the auspices of the associated luncheon Clubs of Mexia who are giving a banquet that night in this city with Judge Davidson as honor guest and several other notable visitors present.

L. S. (Pat) Patterson of Mexia Rotary club will, after broadcasting a speech from the Dallas Station to the banqueters here, travel as a passenger with Mr. La Valle in his record breaking flight.

Mr. Patterson is owner of the Patterson Jewelry Company of this city, a director of Mexia Rotary club and Vice President Mexia Chamber of Commerce. He is an enthusiast by nature and is making the flight purely as an adventure and to demonstrate how recent discoveries have eliminated time and distance

It is to be hoped that no engine trouble will be encountered as in this case it would be necessary for Mr. Patterson to get out and crank the engine.

KILL NINE AN HOUR

CHICAGO, (United Press)—Nine persons an hour are killed by preventable accidents in the United States every hour of the twenty-four declared Richard E. Kropf, supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, to a conference of fraternal insurance executives called here to consider a safety-first campaign. The fraternal bodies are planning a general revival of safety educational drives, it was said

Q Perry Potts, secretary of J T Riddle Company, Inc, is sick at home with the mensels He was taken sick late Sunday afternoon.

DENTISTS
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Res. Phones Dr Metcalf 16.
Dr. Leamon 119.

Letters from People

NOWLIN POST

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 5, 1923.

Dear Sirs:

Please tell me how the American Legion Post at Mexia came to be called the Nowlin Post.

My mother was a Nowlin, and all the Nowlins are of one family. I should like to have the name of some one of the family that would write to me.

I shall be grateful to you for any trouble you may go to, to give me this information.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Kyle B. Price.
4119 Gilbert Street.

MELLON S PLAN

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7, 1923.

Mr. W. K. Boyd,
Mexia, Texas.

Dear Mr. Boyd:

Receipt is acknowledged of endorsement signed by you and other citizens of Mexia, mailed me on 3rd inst, endorsing certain features of Secretary Mellon's plan for revision and reduction of the Federal Income Tax.

I appreciate very much your views upon this important question.

Without committing myself to Secretary Mellon's proposed plan in its entirety, I will say, however, there are two features thereof which especially commend themselves to me, and which I shall favor—the revision of taxes downward, and a special reduction of the income tax, in so far as it relates to earned incomes.

Trusting that you will feel free to express your views to me upon all legislation that may arise during the 68th Congress, and with kindest personal regards, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours,
LUTHER A JOHNSON.

Work on the Hughes Demonstration Home is suspended for today on account of the bad weather. The lovely little home will be completed within the next few days. Part of the two story building on the adjacent corner, on Ross, has already been moved.

FRANKLIN, Ind—Franklin College football team could not decide on a captain. It was agreed that a new leader would be chosen for each game next season.

Gwyndolin, seven-year-old daughter of Ed Allen, is sick with the measels. Mr. Allen stated that her case is not serious and that she would probably be up soon.

NOTICE
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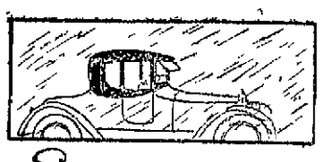
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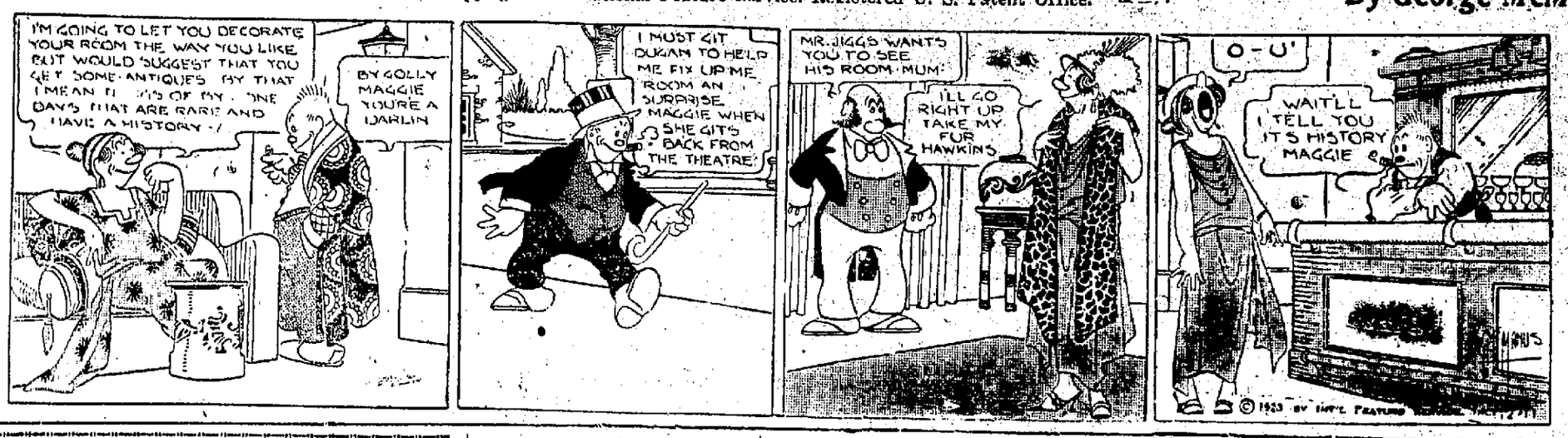
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HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—A cook at once. Call 803 South Ross. Phone 234-W. 7A3

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LOST One pocket book containing some $ and also check invoice of Magnolia Petroleum Co. some papers, etc. Phone 115, receive reward. Dan Hickman. 9D2

WANTED TO BUY—E

OLD CARS WANTED—Will pay cash for your old car to wreck, or will sell you used parts cheap for repairing. Will sell your car on commission or trade it for you. See me before buying or selling your old car. J. E. McDowell, 111 North McKinney. 7E7

SECOND HAND FURNITURE wanted. Will pay spot cash for all kinds of second hand furniture. Beds, dressers, chairs and stoves especially wanted. Auction Store, 117 East Palestine St. 7E7

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

FIVE-PASSENGER Texas car, needs some repair but looks good. Will trade for teams, cattle, hogs or lot. Give or take difference. Call 316 Red River street. 9F4

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor coverings, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 10tf.

WANTED—Furs of all kind to sell at Wardrobe Exchange. 213 North McKinney. Phone 557-J. 4E7

OIL PROPOSITIONS—G

OIL LAND FOR SALE—Large acreage in Falls County for immediate drilling contract. Address I. N. Cooper, owner, Marlin, Texas. 10G8

REAL ESTATE—I

FOR SALE 3240 acres of land located in Leon County about four miles south of Normangee on highway and International and Great Northern railroad. All fenced, most hog proof. About 200 acres in cultivation. Remainder mostly timbered. Six or Seven tenant houses. Plenty water. Convenient to schools. Most of land very fine. There is long time loan at low rate interest. If interested write or phone. A. F. Sledge, Tyler, Texas. 12I1

FOR SALE—J

COATS, DRESSES, suits and hats cheap at Wardrobe Exchange. Everything worn by the human race. Dry cleaning and pressing and furs made over; alterations a specialty. Wardrobe Exchange. Phone 557-J. 213 N. McKinney. 13J14

FOR SALE—One 15 K. V. A. Generator, Morse Fairbanks. News Publishing Co. 5J15

FOR SALE—One lot on Commerce, paved street, in Ross Addition. News Publishing Co. See W. K. Boyd. 2J7

FOR SALE 500 shares of E. L. Smith at 75c a share. Box 18, News. 8J6

ROOFING TAR—Repair your leaky roof before another big rain. $1.00 per gallon. Auction Store, 117 East Palestine St. 7J7

FOR SALE—Two vacant lots also one 5 room house and lot in Grammar School Addition. Will trade or sell cheap. Jim Henson, 316 Red River street. 9J1

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Nice 6 room house, close in for rent. See Tom L. Cox. 9K3

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ROOMS FURNISHED—L

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WANTED—Two boarders. Nice quilts for sale. Phone 455-L. Lula Holland, 419 N. Red River St. 7L4

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Keep Too Much To Themselves

Many men and women of middle age feel that they have never had a chance to make anything out of themselves. But the main reason for it usually is that they let such things as pimples, rash, "breaking out," eczema, tetter, etc., on their face, neck, hands or arms make them feel that they are not wanted around and they keep to themselves too much.

You can get just as much out of life as anyone. All you need is confidence in yourself, which you get naturally when you rid yourself of those skin troubles, if you just use the wonderful Black and White Ointment. It is economically priced, in generous packages. All dealers have it. The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size.—(Adv.)

A party for the inspection of the Southern Pacific Railroad property in Texas and Louisiana passed through Mexia Sunday at three thirty o'clock on a special train. The party was made up of a number of officials of the road and was in charge of Assistant General Manager J. G. Torian. This inspection takes place annually.

A. L. Higdon of the firm of Higdon and McElroy of Lampasas was a Mexia visitor Sunday and Monday.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to please bring me a little saddle, a coasting wagon if you have one and as much of the Humpty-Dumpty set as you can. I have the measles and hope I will be well enough to shoot some fire works Xmas night.

Your little boy,
Blake Forrest.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me lots of doll clothes and a dresser to keep them in and two little dolls, a little trunk and a little cabinet. I am expecting to have the measles about that time so I guess I won't be able to get out.

Your little girl,
Louneita Forrest.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a French harp, airgun, a box of BB shot, football, drum and some fireworks.

Your little friend,
Neal Edward Evens.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a great big sleepy doll, a doll table too and all kinds of fireworks and candy and nuts. I am a little girl 7 years old.

Your friend,
Lucile Jackson.

Mexia, Texas.

My Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little girl 6 years old. There are just oodles and oodles of things I want. But mother said that there were other little children that wouldn't get much, so I sure do want a ma-ma doll, a doll buggy and doll bed. I also want a little sewing machine, so if that isn't too much, I will be glad to get them. I don't want any candy, fruit and nuts, as I can get them every time I go to Hitt & Hitt store, which is from one to three times aday.

Well so long Santa.

Your little friend,
Mary Jane Hatcher,
West Tyler street.

PANCHO VILLA'S BAND COMING TO MEXIA

Pancho Villa is dead, but the name of that world famed bandit will live forever. And form indications the triumphant reception afforded the famous Pancho Villa Mexican Patrol Band in every city they have had the pleasure of giving concerts his name will continue to live. Not as a bandit outlaw, but as the originator of this famous musical organization at the head of which he rode during several of his massecres in Old Mexico, and up until the time of his death he received many compliments for having the greatest band of soloists and artists ever essembled by an outlaw or bandit in history. This organization has cost an enormous sum of money to tour the United States when we take in ti consideration the entire repitore numbering over two thousand complete numbers had to be transposed from Spanish into English. Captain S. L. Miller, assisted by Senor Don Cerventez the late director of the original assembly, spent seven and one-half months and many thousand dollars bringing together the members of the original patrol. After being disbanded through the death of their leader, Francisco Villa. It is the first time that an organization of this kind has ever attempted a tour of the United States under American management, American Director and presenting their entire programs in English.

Pancho Villa's Band will render concerts matinee and night at the National Theatre Wednesday, December 12th.

TO DARKEN SAGE APPLY SAGE TEA

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, streaked or gray. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound at any drug store all ready for use. This is the old-time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients.

While wispy, gray, faded hair is not sinful, we all desire to retain our youthful appearance and attractiveness. By darkening your hair with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound, no one can tell, because it does so naturally, so evenly. You just dampen a sponge, or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time; by morning all gray hairs have disappeared, and after another application or two, your hair becomes beautifully dark, glossy, soft and luxuriant.—(Adv.)

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 10.—A plane to colonize 51,000 acres of land in the Panhandle will be taken up with state officials in the near future, according to Homer D. Wade, of the West Texas chamber of commerce. The land was received by the state in a recent law suit against the Freehold Land company of London.

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may properly come before it.

Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.
(10-17-24-31-7)

NOTICE IN PROBATE
THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff of any Constable of Limestone County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted (for ten days, exclusive of the day of posting) in three of the most public places in your county, one of which shall be at the Court House door, and no two in the same City or town, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the Ed Menefield, Jr., a person of unsound mind, Celestine Menefield has filed in the County Court of Limestone County an application for Letters of Guardianship in estate of Ed Menefield, Jr., a person of unsound mind, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in January, A. D., 1924, same being January 7th, A. D., 1924, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Groesbeck at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of Groesbeck, the 7th day of December, 1923.

Attest: J. L. DAY, Clerk County Court, Limestone County.

By Anne Burney, deputy.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Citation now in my hand.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff.
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
Dec. 9-12-16

SHERIFF'S SALE
THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Limestone,

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution for cost, issued out of the Honorable 87th, District Court of Limestone County, of the 30th day of Nov., 1923, by The District Clerk, of said Limestone County, for the sum of Thirty-six 22-100 ($36.22) dollars and costs of suit, under an Execution for Cost, in favor of T. A. White, in a certain cause in said Court No. 3127-B and styled T. A. White, vs Fred S. Lack, Madge Lack, Doris Lack, Hattie Lack, Geo. Lack, Charles Lack, Dr. Stone, Annie Berbower, F. R. Berbower and Verginia Stone, placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy, as sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 30th day of Nov., 1923, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land in Limestone County, Texas, being 50 acres out of the S. E. corner of the H. Hines survey and 14 acres out of the N. E. corner of said J. E. Lewis survey and described thus: Begin at a stake in the East line of said Lewis survey 149 vs. from its N. E. corner; Thence N. 30 W. at 149 vs. pass the said corner, which is also the S. E. corner of the Hines survey and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake in the East line of said Hines survey; Thence S. 60 W. 531 vrs to a stake; Thence S. 30 E. at 531 vrs. cross the common line of said Hines survey and said Lewis survey, and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake, which is also the ell corner of tract No. 1 hereinabove first described; Thence N. 60 E. with same 531 vrs. to beginning, containing 64 acres, and levied upon as the property of Fred S. Lack, et al., and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st, day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Execution for Cost, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Fred S. Lack, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 30th day of Nov., 1923.

WHIT POPEJOY,
Sheriff Limestone County, Texas.
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
Dec. 3-10-17.

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17	Dallas Ft. Worth	4:35 a. m
19	Dallas Ft. Worth	3:55 a. m

South bound—

346	To cut-off	7:00 a. m
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32	From Dallas	10:08 a. m
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County Teachers Anxious To See Every Pupil in Limestone County A Paying Member Of Red Cross

By CORA FERGUSON,
Limestone Cohnty Superintendent
Of Schools.

The County Teavhers Association met in Groesbeck, December 8, 1923. This is a live, wide-awake body, but the attendance was rather light.

Interesting and helpful talks were made by Mr. Bickley of Personville, and Mr. Jones of Little Brazos.

Mrs. J. Cull Sanders, the indomitable leader of Red Cross forces in Limestone County, gave an interesting and instructive address on the Red Cross drive for a Health Nurse for the county. To make a beginning, the Association voted that every teacher strive for the enrollment of every pupil in his school as a member at twenty-five cents each. Every cent of this amount can be used for the nurse. Mrs. Sanders appointed a committee composed of the teachers to represent their respective schools and they to appoint as many assistants as may be needed to secure members of adults at one dollar. Fifty cents of this amount goes to General Headquarters of the Red Cross. If a member pays as much as five dollars, four dollars and fifty cents will be retained in the county and only fifty cents goes to headquarters. So, you can readily see that the five dollar memberships are very desirable.

I certainly hope that every teacher will get to work on this and help put this great work in the county. Send money and members to Mrs. J. Cull Sanders, Groesbeck, Texas.

Mr. Farrar, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Groesbeck in an eloquent talk invited the schools of Limestone County to come and aid in the Semi-Centennial celebration to be held at Groesbeck, December 20. Each school is urged to be in the parade with a decorated float or car. Even if you feel you will not be able to be in the parade, take a holiday and come even if you have to make it at the end of school. The cornerstone for the new courthouse will be laid and a big barbecue dinner will be served.

Fifty years from now many will be here that celebrated this birthday of your county seat. So, come and help us make this the greatest day that Groesbeck ever had.

NOWLIN POST AMERICAN LEGION UNDERTAKES GOOD CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM IN LIMESTONE SCHOOLS

The following self explanatory letter is today being sent out to the teachers of schools in Limestone County, setting forth the plan by which the local legion hopes to be a factor in the promotion of patriotism in this section:

"To the Teachers of Limestone County:

Among the fundamental principles of the American Legion expressed in the preamble to its constitution are the following, to-wit:

'To uphold and defend the constitution of the United States and of the State of Texas; To maintain law and order, a representative form of government and white supremacy; To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; And to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy.'

The organization is absolutely non-partisan in its functions and by a consecration of the efforts of its members to the above enumerated principles, they hope to achieve that standard of citizenship which best typifies the true ideals of Americanism.

In furtherance of this purpose Nowlin Post 124, American Legion with headquarters at Mexia, hopes to conduct, through the co-operation of the schools of this county, an educational campaign for good citizenship. This Post of the American Legion feels that if each school in the county could set aside one day of its term which could be styled and designated 'Americanism and Good Citizenship Day' and on such occasion receive inspirational addresses in accord with the principles above mentioned that much good can be accomplished.

This Post of the American Legion in anticipation that such a movement will be acceptable to the teachers of this County has organized a good citizenship speakers bureau from members in this Post composed of such men as C. A. Puckett, superintendent Mexia Public Schools, R. M. Andrews, principal, Mexia High School, A. Garland Adair, Editor Mexia Daily News, Warren J. Dale, Attorney, O. F. Watkins, Attorney and many others who can be available for such exercises and are willing to give such movement their time and effort. Are you willing to join us in this undertaking?

In addition to the benefits to be derived above mentioned such a movement would tend to unite and solidify the entire citizenship of the county into one broad teaching of precepts and principles of Americanism. If you believe the above statements are correct will you agree to set aside one day of the term of your school for such purposes at which time and occasion this Post will be only too glad to furnish you from the personnel of its Speakers Bureau any of the speakers you desire.

If you are interested in this undertaking and agree with us as to the merits of same, please write C. A. Puckett, Supt., Mexia Public Schools, or O. F. Watkins, Post Commander, Nowlin Post American Legion; an expression of your views thereon."

Early Agreement On Reparations Is Now Expected

By A. L. BRADFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—An early agreement on the proposal of the reparations commission for a conference of experts on German's financial situation was foreshadowed in diplomatic advices reaching here today.

These advices stated France and Belgium virtually have agreed to appoint experts to the inquiry under conditions that will afford the proposed conference a sufficiently wide scope to make it practicable.

As a result of this development American participation is now hoped for in informed quarters.

Although a high American official states the plan of the reparations commission is not dead and that this Government still is studying the proposal the co-operation of this country in the conference is not at all assured. An announcement of the American attitude is expected soon from the State Department.

TRACTOR BEATS HEDGE

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y. (United Press)—In some of the smaller things it sometimes appears that the forces of man far outclass those of nature. A cedar hedge about a home at Chazy had become so thick that it was decided to destroy it. Despite it's more than half a century of growth the entire hedge was uprooted and tron down by a caterpillar tractor in two hours.

SUED FOR THIRTY CENTS

RALEIGH, N. C. (United Press.)—J. E. Owens, coroner of Wake County, sueing the Pine State Creamery for 30 cents, won his case. The suit was instituted by the coroner after an agent of the creamery refused to refund a 30 cent deposit on milk bottles. Owens was represented by three lawyers. The defense paid over the three dimes and costs.

J. K. Hughes To Be Toastmaster At Joint Feast

Next Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock all of the clubs of the city will meet with their ladies in the parlors of the Christian church for a Merry Christmas Dinner; which will be served by the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary. Hon. J. K. Hughes will be the toastmaster; Rev. Jeffers will be in charge of the sing-song. The date for the program at the High School opening has been reset to Monday, next week so that all may attend both functions. Tickets for the dinner should be purchased now so that the ladies of the Legion will know how many to prepare for. All members of all clubs are invited. Those who have received tickets through the mail please either remit for same to Mrs. O. F. Watkins, American Legion Auxiliary or return same so that a count may be arrived at the number of plates to be placed. Tickets may be secured from Mrs. Watkins, O. F. Watkins, Jerry Cason, Z. Rochelle, Dr. Brown, and Lee P. Pierson. There will be a number of visitors from surrounding towns.

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Eddie Paul Moore Still in Bed After Hit By Automobile

Mrs. Jim Moore reports that her little son Eddie Paul who was injured in being run down by an auto driven by some girls Saturday is resting nicely today but that he will be unable to be out of bed for several days yet. Eddie Paul is the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore who reside on East Main and Brooks streets. He was struck down Saturday afternoon at 513 East Commerce, near Canton, the car passing over his body without the wheels touching him. Messrs. Lynn Kennedy and Elliott picked the little fellow up and carried him to Dr. Dorsett's office for surgical attention. It was found that his hip was badly dislocated and a deep gash also made in the blow and fall. He will be in bed several days yet and then will be on crutches for a while after he is able to be up. The car was driven by a girl who was accompanied by another girl. They refused to stop to give any aid and are not known. One of the girls called over the telephone later to find out how the boy was getting along but she did not divluge her name, according to Mrs. Moore.

EASTERN STARS TO CELEBRATE THEIR 25TH BIRTHDAY

According to Mrs. Oscar Denning, Worthy Matron, Mexia Chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars, Wednesday evening of this week, at the Masonic Temple, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the local chapter. A very interesting program is being arranged and the hour promises to be profitable and enjoyable for all who attend. Mrs. Denning states that all past matrons and patrons will be guests of honor. All Eastern Stars are to be guests of honor. All members are urged to be present. They are also invited to bring their husbands.

OPEN HOUSE AT HIGH SCHOOL TO BE HELD MONDAY

The open house program planned to be held at the high school Friday evening has been postponed until Monday, December 17th, on account of conflict with the American Legion-Salesmanship-Lions banquet also scheduled for Friday.

High school officials are especially sorry for this second postponement of the Open House, but inasmuch as the request has been made for the change and since the conflicting plans involve out-of-town speakers, it seems advisable to change the date.

Frank Bolton was a Corsicana visitor Monday.

Ber Hunt is a Waco visitor today.

THIS HEN STARTED EARLY

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y. (United Press.)—Mrs. Ralph H. Hill of Trout Lake is certain she is the owner of the most enterprising Biddy in the Adirondacks. The wonder-working hen is but six months old, but has within her brief span of life laid eleven eggs, on which she is now sitting with the apparent determination to become a mother at an age so tender as to leave all competitors confounded.

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COBURNS DEATH WELL PLANNED SAYS STATE

Second Jail Break Within Week At Lansing

Defense Keeps Silent As To Tactics In Fox Trial

By J. F. BEAMAN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 11.—"The murder of Captain Coburn was planned by more than one mind."

This summarization of the evidence to be presented in Superior court Wednesday in an effort to send Phil E. Fox, publicity director of the Ku Klux Klan to the gallows for the murder of W. S. Coburn, attorney of a rival faction, was given the United Press today by Henry J. Norton, who has collaborated with the solicitor general's office. Norton, who ascend to the leadership of the Simmons group in the bitter internal war on the imperial officers of the hooded order, has directed more than a score of investigators in unearthing evidence in nearly a dozen States into which the murder probe has extended during the last month.

"We have information," Norton began, "that an imperial officer of the Klan, who was in New York, received a telegram one hour before the murder stating 'Coburn is dead', and this will be presented at the trial along with other startling disclosures indicating the killing was a part of a carefully laid plot."

Norton revealed for the frist time what the State will contend was the motive for the murder and other details of what the prosecution claims was the climax of the bitter factional fight which had been waged for months in the courts with Coburn the aggressor.

"The motive for the murder was given by Fox himself, when, shortly after his arrest he declared that he killed Coburn because the latter had some information about him which he intended to publish," said Norton. "He said he would rather hang than be ruined."

"The information Coburn had did involve Fox, but Fox was only one of the lesser lights and Coburn was not particularly interested in him."

Reconstructing the murder, Norton said his investigators had found that Fox stored his furniture the day before Coburn was killed.

The day of the murder, the prosecution will contend, Fox purchased some whisky and a dirk knife; nerved himself with the whisky and planned to leave the knife in Coburn's office as basis for a plea of self-defense if his carefully laid plans to escape went wrong. Instead he is believed to have been unnerved and dropped the revolver in place of the knife.

The expected plea of insanity of the defense will be met by calling Immorial Wizard Evans and other high officials of the secret society to testify as to the mental condition of their publicity man, Norton said. In addition Fox's family records and affidavits from acquaintances in Texas will be presented.

"We are ready to meet whatever case the defense presents," Norton said, "and how far the murder trial reveals on the inner secrets of the Klan will depend wholly on what line the defense pursues. We are ready for anything."

Meanwhile the defense continued to carefully guard its plans. Former Governor Hugh Dorsey, leading attorney for Fox, refused to say whether or not a plea of insanity would be presented or otherwise to discuss the defense's case.

"We will have nothing at all to say until Wednesday," said Dorsey as he went into one of the numerous conferences of defense attorneys.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Mayor Louis Blaylock, personal friend of Phil E. Fox who is to go to trial in Atlanta, Ga., tomorrow on charges of murdering Wm. S. Coburn, was to leave Dallas today for Atlanta to appear in Fox's behalf. Fox is a former Dallas newspaper man.

Georgia Widow Tells of Masked Floggers.

Mrs Bertha Holcombe

Mrs. Bertha Holcombe, 26, of Smyrna, Ga., near Atlanta, has reported to the authorities that she and hre companion, S. H. Morton, were kidnaped and carried to a lonely wood by a band of masked men, who flogged them both into unconsciousness. Arrests already have been made.

FAILING TO QUIT BALDWIN HEARS DENUNCIATION BY BRITISH

By LLOYD ALLEN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 11.—Liberals and laborites joined in bitter excoriating Stanley Baldwin for his failure to resign immediately.

The Prime Minister called a meeting of his Cabinet for this morning, at which it was understood, it will be determined definitely just what course Baldwin will pursue.

The Ministers met with the Premier at 10 Downing street, shortly before noon, at which time it was generally believed they would approve his proposal to remain in office until Parliament meets.

A suggestion that the Prime Minister might decide to hold on and face Parliament without a majority, met with strenuous opposition from the liberal and labor press.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The British Cabinet, it is understood, approved the action of Premier Stanley Baldwin in retaining his office for the present. Parliament meets early in January and Baldwin, despite conservative defeat, apparently intends to remain as prime minister and carry on without the majority.

Klan Is Barred From Campus of U of California

STANFORD, Cal., Dec. 11.—The Ku Klux Klan is barred from Stanford campus by Dr. Ray Lyman Wilbur, president of the university. The action follows a statement by Robert Burnett, El Paso student, soliciting students to poin the Stanford unit of the Klan.

Application For Christmas Pardons Reach the Gov'nor

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 11.—Applications for Christmas pardons are being received at the governor's office at the rate of twenty-five daily. Already more than three hundred are on hand.

R. L. Freelander of Waco was in Mexia Monday.

A. N. Tucker Jr. Fairfield was in the city Sunday.

MEXICAN REBELS EXTEND SCOPE OF THEIR REVOLT

By FREDERICK G. NEUMEIER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 11.—Revolutionary forces under General Sanchez, which have engaged Federal troops in indecisive combat for three days at Jalapa, capital of Vera Cruze, were reported today to be extending the scope of their operations.

The rebellion in Vera Cruze appeared to be proving more difficult to put down than had been anticipated.

After capturing Jalapa, then losing it to Federals, a strong insurrectionist force attacked repeatedly and the tide of battle was swaying uncertainly when last reports were received.

President Obregon has arrived at Irapouto, where Federal cavalry is being concentrated for a drive to crush the rebels under General Estrada at Jalisco.

Obregon is reported to have sent his close friend and adviser, Ramon Ross, a member of the recent recognition conference, on an "urgent" official mission to the United States.

With the rebellion proving more serious than at first feared food prices have mounted so rapidly in Mexico City that demand for a food dictator has arisen. The Mexican Federation of Labor prepared to take action against the profiteers.

In an interview President Obregon declared that while he remained president "foreign lives and interests will be perfectly protected so long as these lives and interests keep out of this private quarrel." Obregon said the quarrel would be settled and without very great trouble. "We are not worried over the outcome," he said.

Twenty One Killed In Ohio In 1923 In Enforcing 'Drouth'

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 11.—Twenty-one persons were killed—seven of them local dry agents and fourteen bootleggers and rum runners—in gun battles as a result of attempts to enforce the prohibition laws in Ohio thus far in 1923, a newspaper survey revealed today.

Transfer Man Is Killed By Tyler Police

TYLER, Texas, Dec. 11.—Birdie Porter, operator of a transfer company, was shot and killed during a fight with M. E. Jolley, a special traffic policeman. He is survived by a widow and one child.

Private Financial Experts From U.S. To Be Appointed

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The United States has accepted the invitation of the reparations commission for private American financial experts to take part in the inquiry into German's financial condition, President Coolidge formally announced in a statement. Will not participate as a government, he declared. American experts would be invited to take part by direct invitation of the reparations commission.

GAS MAINS ARE WASHED OUT

Several sections of the Lone Star Company's big gas main supplying Mexia with gas were washed out this morning at Wolf Creek near Wortham. It is supposed that the line was struck by something. A temporary line is being laid across the break which is under about four feet of water, and the local company expects to be able to supply some gas to the city by this evening.

Republicans Don't Want To Meet In Ohio

By FRAZER EDWARDS
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Rumblings of discontent over President Coolidge's designation of Cleveland as then ext Republican convention city grows in volume today as the Republican National Committee met to ratify the selection.

In response to the mutterings from Western and Midwestern Republicans there were evidences that a sham battle was to be staged before Cleveldand was named finally. Some "insiders" on the committee, indicated the battle would last for two days.

With Chicago definitely out of the running Des Moines and San Francisco are the chief contenders against Cleveland. The Des Moines delegation, headed by Former Senator Rawson of Iowa, is determined the selection shall not go by default. Armed with data showing the Iowa city to be well equipped in halls and hotels, Rawson intends to emphasize the political strategy of selecting Des Moines in the heart of the corn belt.

Western and Midwestern Republicans point to the political preference of Cleveland as a tactical error. Cleveland to the Western farmer is "East", they say. The psychological effect of holding the convention west of the Mississippi would do much for Republican success, they believe.

There were indications that New York might make a strong bid for the convention to prolong the battle, even if nothing was to be gained.

The flat refusal of the subcommittee in charge of the question to reconsider the cut in Southern representation in the convention was another source of worry to the Republican high command.

COOLIDGE SENDS MESSAGE ON MEXICAN TREATY

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—President Coolidge sent to the Senate the Mexican teraty, carrying out the details of recognition agreement. The fighting in Mexico won't cause a postponement of ratification.

PINKERTON DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS IN CALIFORNIA

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 11.—William A. Pinkerton, head of the Pinkerton Detective Agency, died at a local hotel five days after his arrival. He was taken suddenly ill.

Barley Jones of Greenville was a Mexia visitor Monday.

G. C. Parker of Waco was in Mexia on business Monday.

James Fulgham of Keechi was in the city Monday.

MRS. LEEDS WOULD SERVE MRS. STILLMAN.

Mrs Florence Leeds and Mrs James A Stillman

Mrs. James A. Stillman, successful defendant in the sensational divorce action brought by her husband, formerly President of the National City Bank of New York, America's greatest financial institution, who declared her baby, Guy, was the son of Fred Beauvis, a Canadian Indian, has received a letter from Mrs. Flo Leeds, who was alleged to have been friendly with Stillman and to have been the mother of his son, "Sturdy". Mrs. Leeds, now a saleswoman in a New York shop, asked Mrs. Stillman's patronage, as she is working on a commission basis to support herself and her son.

BASEBALL HEADS HAVE FIFTEEN HOUR MEET IN CHICAGO

By JAMES T. KOLBERT
(United Press Staff Corresopdent)

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Worn out by almost fifteen hours of continuous conferences, the national board of arbitration of professional baseball leagues, adjourned at 4 o'clock this morning without announcing a decision in the dispute between William McCarthy and Harry Williams over the presidency of the Pacific Coast League.

J. H. Farrell, secretary of the board, said that the body would resume discussions around noon. A decision may be handed down late today or tonight, he said.

While the conference room was sealed and inquisitive persons were shooed from the doors, it was manifest that an extremely bitter fight was on.

The board went into session early in the afternoon on Monday and the McCarthy-Williams case was called almost immediately. Summed up, McCarthy contended that the vote ousting him and seating Williams, was illegal. Williams argued the vote was legal in every respect.

Six lawyers represented the contestants and final arguments in the case were not concluded until after midnight. The board conferred until 4 o'clock and decided to sleep on the matter.

Under the so far placid surface of the major league waters a battle is brewing that may erupt with a crash tomorrow. The case of Urban Shocker of St. Louis contains the dynamite. Phil Ball, president of the club announced that he would keep Shocker in the face of the latter's demand to be made a free agent. Shocker has applied to Commissioner Landis for a ruling to free him from St. Louis.

Shocker agrues that the club nullified his contract by inflicting an unjustified penalty on him—slapping a suspension on him because he insisted on having Mrs. Shocker accompany him East.

If Landis rules with Shocker the explosion may follow. Baseball sharks hold that Landis can not do otherwise under the circumstances.

Ban Johnson, president of the American League, does not feel any too friendly toward Landis. Johnson feels that Landis has overstepped his powers and resents encroachment up on American League territory. President Heydler of the National League was understood to have conferred with Johnson in the latter's home. What this conference portends no one knows.

The two major leagues will meet [illegible] in joint conference tomorrow.

The ivory hunters attracted to the annual meeting of the majors and minors are doing thriving business involving millions of dollars and scores of stars in conversation, at

WICHITA KLAN CHARGED WITH REGULATING MORALS OF COUNTY

WICHITA FALLS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Members of the Ku Klux Klan have been "taking into their own hands enforcement of the law and regulation of the morals of their community" the final report of the grand jury charged an investigation had revealed.

The jury also reported that neither the officers nor members of the klan had given the grand jurors any assistance in running down participants in the score or more of floggings in this county during the past 18 months.

"Infamous and slanderous" reports circulated about whipping party victims in all cases were found to be untrue, the grand jury declared, and were only spread in order to "appease the wrath of an outraged public on account of the brutal and barbarous assault."

PIERCE DIES

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Peyton Pierce, slayer of his wife and daughter, died this morning without regaining consciousness.

BELTON, Texas, Dec. 11.—The cases of Bawley Vierek and Ernest Schaffner, charged in connection with the fatal Sealy street battle, were postponed until February 4 on motion of District Attorney Brewster here yesterday. Absence of important witnesses caused the delay. These witnesses were fined $100 each by the court, included John Miller and Dr. E. P. Hill, both of Houston.

Due to the joint meeting Friday night of all local civic clubs and the American Legion, Nowlin-Post and the Auxiliary deferred their luncheon club Tuesday in anticipation of attending that event.

V. W. Thodbug of Marlin spent Sunday in Mexia.

C. L. Smith of Corsicana was in Mexia Sunday and Monday.

Miss Charlotte Mayfield of Austin was a guest at the Majestic Hotel Sunday.

James A. Wear of Coolidge was in the city Monday.

Four Hastily Get Away As Shots Are Fired At Them

LANSING, Kans., Dec. 11.—Four convicts made a dramatic escape from the Kansas State prison here last night—the second group to gain their freedom from the penitentiary within a week.

One man was wounded in an attempt to prevent the escape and a fifth prisoner trying to make his getaway was shot down as he scaled the prison wall.

The dash for freedom came soon after the convicts had been locked in their cells for the night. It was carried out with great daring. The prisoners threw a switch cutting off all the lights on the prison grounds; attempted to put the telephone switchboard out of commission and then just as they were going up a ladder over the walls, the lights were turned on again due to the bravery and loyalty of a wounded trusty.

As the five were going over the walls, great searchlights from all parts of the grounds flooded the ladder and outlined their forms clearly. Guards in towers at each end of the wall opened fire with high powered rifles, sweeping the barricade over which the men were scrambling.

Jumping from the hail of bullets, the men leaped 35 feet to the ground. As Charles Kavanaugh jumped, a bullet struck him in the leg and he was captured. The other four escaped into the darkness. A posse of nearly 200 searched throughout the night for the quartet without success.

Shortly before midnight, Kavanaugh rang for Edward Stewart, the trusty in charge of the row of cells at night, and told him there was a leak from a water pipe, Stewart unlocked the cell door to investigate and Kavanaugh's cellmate, John Stitzel leveled a revolver which apparently had been smuggled in, at him.

The two prisoners took Stewart's keys, locked him in their cell; held up Frank Henderson, a guard and obtained additional keys, then locked Henderson with Stewart. After unlocking the cells of Brizzell Pratt, Celon Richardson and Walter Gary, the five rushed to the power house.

Alec Smith, trusty life termer, who showed great heroism in his efforts to prevent the escape, was working in the power house. The men ordered him to cut the prison wires. He refused. They then attempted to throw a switch turning off all prison lights. Smith stepped in their way. Richardson stabbed Smith in the side seriously wounding him.

The men then threw the switch turning off all lights, obtained a ladder from a locker and made their way toward the prison wall.

Enroute they stopped at the telephone office and ordered Roy Reed operator, to destroy the switchboard. Reed refused. They cursed him but the prisoners had already wasted much time and they hurried on toward the wall. As the ladder was placed against the barricade, the lights were again flashed on.

Smith, seriously wounded, had made his way to the hospital and spread the alarm. The switch turning on the current was thrown and a great battery of powerful searchlights turned darkness into day and focused on the fugitives.

Although guards swept the wall with bullets from high powered rifles, all but Kavanaugh escaped.

Kavanaugh has a long prison record having once been sentenced to a life term in the Minnesota State penitentiary. This term was being served on a sentence of from one to five years; Stitzel, convicted of manslaughter in Sumner county, was serving a five to twenty-one year sentence; Richardson was sentenced to from five to fifteen years from Leavenworth county for grand larceny; Garey was convicted in Wichita of murder and sentenced to forty years; Pratt was serving from two to twenty-one years for robbery, having been convicted in Tom [illegible]

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NATIONAL TAXATION POLICY

Collier's Weekly has presented for discussion the national taxation policy proposed by a notable business leader and summorized below:

1. Taxes should be planned primarily for their social effect.
2. Every person should be encouraged to earn and invest as much money as possible during his lifetime.
3. Large fortunes should be broken up at death.
4. Abolish income surtaxes. They discourage productive effort.
5. If we do this, tax-exempt securities will have no special value for tax-dodging. This would make unnecessary the amendment providing against tax exemption.
6. Put a graduated tax on all gifts and inheritances, to be computed on the amount received by each beneficiary.
7. Exempt small gifts and legacies; tax lightly up to $250,000; legacies of $10,000,000 might pay as heavily as 50 per cent.
8. To prevent sudden depreciation in values, legatees of large sums should be given 10 to 15 years in which to pay the tax.

SHIP PHONES IN DENMARK

The United Steamship Company, of Copenhagen, Denmark, plans to install wireless telephone equipment on all boats plying between Copenhagen and the provincial harbors for the traveling public's conveniences. Travelers will be able to secure direct communication, through the land telephone service, with their own homes or offices similar to the service planned for the S. S. Leviathan.

RAILROAD VALUATIONS

The government has spent a hundred million dollars and has forced the railroads to spend a hundred and fifty million more in tabulating railroad valuations. The result has proved what every railroad student, financier and economist knew—that there is more surplus than water in our railroad shares. Measured by any honest standard our twenty billion dollar railroad capitalization that has been pounded by politics, labor unions and legislation down to sixty cents on the dollar, could not be replaced at twice today's market valuation. (Boston News Bureau.)

MAKE THE STREETS SAFE FOR THE DEMOCRACY

Commending the editorial in Monday's News concerning reckless driving by girls and boys of irresponsible years, weak arms and brains, many citizens have urged the home newspaper to continue its crusade against any and all practices of speeding along Mexia's streets and avenues.

One observer stated that he knew of one man who had thought of moving to Mexia but who changed his mind when he saw the carelessness of scores of automobile drivers while passing through the residential areas and business district. He said he was afraid to move here as he had a wife and four children whom he feared might be killed.

It is a fact that Mexia has lost more lives in automobile tragedies than she lost in the last great war to which she sent a company of her sons.

It is not infrequent that the remark is heard on street corners in the business district: "Well, I got across that time, but I don't know whether I can next time or not."

While considering the subject, too it is well to warn the walking public against careless walking. That is an evil also. Citizens are noted daily cutting corners at the intersection of our busiest thoroughfares or sauntering across the streets with heads down and heedless of others who might be on foot or in cars.

Let's make our highways and streets safe for the democracy.

LITTLE FOXES

ROADS.

Eternal vigilance is the price of highways and good roads maintenance.

Lack of provisions for their proper upkeep means great waste in the end.

Neglect occasionally even is expensive. Constant neglect is prearranged ruin and destruction and the particular strip of roadway concerned soon becomes a tumbling monument to the lack of foresight, to the carelessness and to the unbusinesslike judgement of the people who voted the bonds for its original construction.

Better not to vote road bonds, saddling a debt on future generations, than to vote them without provision for constant attention and repairs whenever necessary.

The little drop of water wears away the stone and a little neglect following every rainfall and inattention following damage by traffic ordinarily will wear away the road long before the bonds disappear.

Highways, cross state or cross continent, roads through a precinct or county, avenues or streets through one block or across a city, should be handled in a business like way, kept like the successful merchant keeps his stock or like the good housewife keeps her home.

Dr. Frank Crane has well said: "If the railway management look after the roadbeds the same way as the city looks after its streets, they would not send out any section hands to repair a road until there had been a wreck."

Foolish indeed are the city, precinct, county, state or country that wait for a road to go to utter ruin before sending out the "section hands" to make the highways safe for the democracy.

Beware of the Little Foxes.

NOW COMES THE COLORED CLAN

And now comes the news that the negroes have organized a "Colored Clan," having received a charter from the state of Texas.

The purpose of the corporation is "supporting and fostering among members of the negro race of this State and the United States conceptied and organized charity, and for the encouragement of the study, respect for and upholding of the laws of this State and the United States and the dissemination of the knowledge concerning them in order that they might more fully know and understand them, and thereby obey them more intelligently."

The incorporators are G. L. Southern, Jack A. Grom and W. Parker, all of San Antonio. The corporation is without capital stock.

Of course there will be an outcry against this clan because it bars from its membership citizens of other color and odor.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 10.—The body of Miss Velma Leech, 24, will be buried in the young woman's wedding gown and lillies will supplant orange blossoms. Miss Leech who died Saturday was to have been married during the Christmas holidays.

EVANSTON, Ill.—Cincinnati University, Missouri University, Michigan Aggies and possibly Notre Dame will be included in Northwestern's 1924 football schedule beside conference games, Athletic Director Evans announced.

Dr. Marion M. Brown was a Waco visitor Sunday.

Premier Baldwin Visits The King

By LLOYD ALLEN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON, Dec. 10.—Premier Stanley Baldwin visited the King at Buckingham Palace today.

Returning from Chequers, permanent country residence set aside for British Prime ministers, the man held responsible for the conservative debacle in the general election summoned his party leaders to No. 10 Downing street.

After a conference which was determined whether he should resign, Baldwin drove to the Palace.

The best information obtainable early this afternoon was that Baldwin had not tendered his resignation to the King but had acquainted His Majesty with the conservative party's views of the situation. The Morning Post understands the summons to the Palace came at Baldwin's request.

One apparently reliable report was that the Prime Minister intends to retain office until Parliament meets.

MOSCOW.—Russia will shortly ship to the United States 55,000 dozens of playing cards.

CITIZENSHIP
-Thought for the Day

BY A. GARLAND ADAIR

OUR CONSTITUTION

Henry D. Estabrook paid the following stirring tribute to the Constitution of the Uited States, in an address before the Missouri Bar Association at Kansas City, Mo., in the year 1923:

"O marvelous Constitution! Magic parchment, transforming word, maker, monitor, guardian of mankind! Thou hast gathered to thy impartial bosom the peoples of the earth, Columbia, and called them equal. Thou hast conferred upon them imperial sovereignty, revoking all titles but that of man. Native and exotic, rich and poor, good and bad, old and young, the lazy and the industrious, those who love and those who hate, the mean and the lowly, the high and the mighty, the wise and the foolish, the prudent and the imprudent, the cautious and the hasty, the honest and the dishonest, those who pray and those who curse—these are God's children—these are thy rulers, O Columbia. Into our hands thou hast committed the destinies of the human race, even to the omega of thine own destruction. And all thou requirest of us before we o'erstep boundaries blazed for guidance is what is required of us at every railroad crossing in the country. 'Stop. Look. Listen. Stop and think. Look before and after and to the right and left. Listen to the voice of reason and to the still small voice of conscience."

"I would fight for every line in the Constitution as I would for every star in the flag, for flag and constitution will live or die together."

Heavy rains have retarded work today in the oil fields and on wildcats drilling in the Mexia territory. With the return of fair weather, however, things will be lively once more.

MUSIC IN THE WATER

KINSTON, N. C. (United Press.)—When the orchestra in a negro theatre here fell through the floor the audience refused to accept it as an excuse for dispensing with music. Piano, traps, other instruments and their players piled up in the basement. The piano fell right side up. The gallery howled for "music with its movies." The piano player stepped into the breach. The basement was flooded from a rain, but he donned boots, secured a chair and "sailed in." His first tune was "Sailing, Sailing, Over the Bounding Main."

A RED-HEADED CLUB

NEW YORK, (United Press.)—The "red-headed" girls of Hunter College have formed a club. Any kind of red from burnished gold to plain old brick-red, entitles the wearer to membership. The invitations to social events of the Red-Headed Club are appropriately written on red cards.

Christmas Clearance
ON ALL READY-TO-WEAR AND MILLINERY

1/3 Off

ON ALL LADIES' SUITS—
A good selection to pick from

on all Ladies' Coats in all the new styles and materials. See this wonderful line of Coats before you buy.

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on Ladies' Silk Dresses and Wool Dresses. All new styles and good selection to pick from.

CLOSE-OUT OF ALL MID-WINTER HATS at
$1 - $1.95 - $3.95 - $5.95

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The line includes a complete assortment of the following:

EVERSHAP PENCILS

WAHLS PENS AND PENCILS in silver and gold sets.

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HIGH GRADE CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR GREETING CARDS

ALSO a large assortment of TESTAMENTS AND BIBLES.

MANY other articles that will please you.

We solicit your purchases on above items, as well as your prescription and drug needs.

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The Rexall Low Priced Store

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—Pocket Knives

V. Wolverton Co.
HARDWARE

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

—Let us make a few suggestions which will aid you in choosing just the right gift for Mother, Daughter, Wife, Sister or Sweetheart.

—Diamonds
—Wrist Watches
—Bar Pins
—Rings, all stones
—Mesh Bags
—Vanities
—Pearls
—Beads, all colors
—Ear Drops
—Fountain Pens
—Ivory Sets
—Cut Glass
—Silverware

Make your selections now. A small payment will reserve purchase until Christmas.

Diamond Jewelry Co.
103 SOUTH SHERMAN ST.

"Mexia's Largest Jewelry Store"

GUEST OF THE HEART

By Ben B. Hunt.

A LOVE LETTER

There's love with this letter, my darling,
In my heart is a song of praise.
I love you most tenderly, dear one,
And the strength of my love will amaze.
No business affairs shall engulf me,
No duties in life shall intrude
To prevent me from thinking, sweetheart,
Of all that my thought should include.

Always and ever I think of you
While Time swings along in his flight
From the sun-kist hills of the morning
To the star deck'd valleys of night.
I hear ev'ry cry of your heart, dear,
I know ev'ry pain in your soul;
I'll aid you from daylight 'til dark, dear,
As we journey on to life's goal.

Always I'll walk by the side of you,
Together we'll face ev'ry foe;
The problems of life we will conquer
And overcome failure and woe.
And when to the end we have journey'd,
Attain'd the great purpose of God,
We will wonder and wonder and wonder
At the joy of the path that we trod.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

PHILADELPHIA.—Panco Villla, world's flyweight champion, won the judges' decision over Patsy Wallace, Philadelphia, in ten rounds. Pete Sarmiento, Filipino and Bobby Walgast of Atlantic City, bantams, fought ten fast rounds to a draw in the semifinal. Hugh Clements, 194, Boston and Joe Savage, 194, Philadelphia, drew in a 6-round bout.

PHILADELPHIA.—Alex Hart, of Cleveland, lightweight, will meet Freddy Jacks, England, in a 10-round decision bout here tonight. Ad Stone and Tommy Nelson, both light-heavyweights, will fight in the semi-windup.

BLUE ISLAND, Ill.—Bud Taylor, Terre Haute bantam will meet John McCoy of Cleveland in a 10-round bout here Dec. 21.

MEMPHIS.—Eddie Anderson of Chicago outpointed Jimmy Russo of St. Louis in eight rounds here last night. They are bantams.

CINNAMON TOAST

Mix 1 teaspoon of cinnamon thoroughly with 1-3 cup sugar. Sprinkle on hot, well-buttered toast. Toast the top side again and serve hot.

This is particularly toothsome with afternoon tea or for Sunday night supper.

If you or your family like raisins, they may be mixed with the sugar and cinnamon, made into a paste with melted butter and spread on dry oast. It is delicious.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Toast helps the housewife to use up left-overs or to make expensive delicacies go further.

When serving a creamed dish on toast, the housewife should use a cream sauce of mederate thickness and the crisper kind of toast. When this is done the toast absorbs some of the sauce and the flavor without getting the least bit tough.

Fred Karner has returned from a few days spent in Dallas.

OIL

The Masters Company, Inc., has a derrick up on the Easterling lands North of Chatfield in Navarro County and plan to spud in another wildcat within the next few days.

The Allison-Taylor test on the Jackson tract is understood to be drilling in hard lime formation. A fishing job has just been completed.

The Lewis well on the Swink, near Richland, will begin bailing probably the latter part of this week. The cement plug has already been drilled out and the casing is said to be in fine condition.

Production at Powell this week is slightly above 100,000 barrels daily.

The production at Mexia is around 40,000 barrels daily.

The J. K. Hughes Developing Company, last Friday, brought in its Alexander No. 2 for 4,000 barrels daily flush.

Garland Kent completed the Fleming No. 10 Friday for 2,500 barrels flush.

The E. L. Smith Oil Company has several wells in the Powell field, augmenting the daily production very appreciably.

The Humble Company has completed its Fleming No. 8 for a small producer.

With fair weather wildcatting will be the new order of the day in Navarro County.

Fuel oil was being sent out to the Big Williams Rosson wildcat Monday. It was hoped to continue drillin today, weather permitting.

It is learned that a pipe line is being constructed to the shallow pool in Falls County, southwest of here 35 miles.

News comes from Ennis that orders have been received from the Denver office of the Ellis-Mexia Oil Company to remove the old rig on the company test near Ferris to make room for a standard rig which is expected to arrive at an early date. The completion of the test is planned at once.

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, Dec. 11.—Colonel Ike S. Ashburn commandant of Texas A. & M. College, has resigned his post to take a position Jan. 1 as executive secretry of the A. & M. Former Students' Association. Col. Ashburn has been connected with the school since 1913. His successor has not been chosen.

THE WEATHER

East Texas.—Tonight and Wednesday probably rain, somewhat colder in east and south tonight. Moderate to fresh northerly winds on the coast.

West Texas.—Tonight and Wednesday probably snow in the north, rain or snow in south. Warmer in Panhandle Wednesday.

WEATHERFORD, Texas, Dec. 11.—Half of the truckload of turkeys Ed Pickard brought to market were read to be picked when he arrived here. They were smothered to death enroute, due to too much crowding.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—Fire damage totaling $25,000 was caused to the Higsbee Electric company building here early today. The blaze was of undetermined origin.

DALLAS, Texas, Dec. 11.—C. P. Russell was named president of the board of education here last night, suceeding W. E. Greiner, resigned.

John Kennon of Tuckertown was in Mexia Sunday.

Patterson's Column

LISTEN KIDS here is
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GOOD NEWS
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YOU ARE invited if you
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MEXIA SCHOOLS and
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WANT TO see the
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FUNNIEST COMEDY ever
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WRITTEN FREE to be on
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HAND IN front of
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PATTERSON'S JEWELRY Store
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NEXT SATURDAY morning
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AT NINE thirty for on
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THAT DAY through the
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CO-OPERATION of Pat Box
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MANAGER OF the National
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THEATRE YOU may see
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DOUGLAS McLEAN in his
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FUNNIEST PLAY
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IT IS called "Going Up"
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AND IS a new one
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MINUTES PARADE through
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THE PRINCIPAL business
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SHOW SO come with clean
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OF FOLKS will see you
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ALSO I am going to give
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FIVE DOLLARS in cash FREE
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TO THE boy or girl
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THAT CARRIES the best
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SHORT ADVERTISEMENT or
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"SLOGAN" adaptable to my
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WHICH CAN be secured at
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THE NEWSPAPER office or
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ANY PAINT shop so
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GET BUSY now and win
* * *
THAT FIVE dollars
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I THANK you.
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—PATTERSON

Longworth G. O. P. Leader in House.

Representative Nicholas Longworth, of Cincinnati, O., son-in-law of the late President Theodore Roosevelt, is the Republican floor leader in the new House of Representatives.

District Attorney Chester Machen is confined to his room this week on account of sickness. His many friends hope for his early return to health and strength.

Roscoe Cook, Billy Wilson and Joe Arrington are on a deer hunt in southwest Texas. According to telephonic information received by Mrs. Wilson Monday, Billy killed a deer within twenty minutes after reaching the famous grounds.

Cole Younger (Slim) Summers was in from Kirven Saturday and brought a fine mess of home made sausage for the editor, which was enjoyed very much by all of "us."

Ben Hartley, traveling representative for a Dallas paper house, was in Mexia on business Monday.

Kansas City Star
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Tulsa World
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Tulsa Tribune
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Denver Post
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San Antonio Express
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Shreveport Times
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Daily Oklahoman
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Christmas
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Make her smile with
Silk Hosiery

'La France' Silk Hose $2.50
'Cadet' Silk Hose...$2 to $3
'Armor Plate' Silk Hose at.....$2 to $2.50
Silk Hose at.....$1.50
Silk Hose at.....$1.25

Handkerchiefs

Nearly $1,000.00 worth of men's and ladies handkerchiefs on display.

Men's hand-made linen handkerchiefs at.....$1.50

Men's handkerchiefs, all kinds and prices—many put in box assortments for Xmas presents.

or perhaps she would like
Stationery

Have you stopped at the Stationery Counter lately? A wonderful assortment, priced in the 'Cheeves' way Pretty stationery on display in all the new things at $1, at $1.50, at $2.50 to $5

Perfume and Toilet Articles

You will have to see this toilet goods counter in order to know what a complete assortment we are showing. Many standard lines of special Xmas packages. Ask to see this line.

Gifts for Men

—Pajamas —Belts
—Shirts —Suspenders
—Ties —Cuff Buttons
—Sox —Belt Buckles
—Underwear —Hand Grips
—Bath Robes —Suit Cases
—Gloves —Handkerchiefs

Gifts for Boys

—Boys Overcoats —Handkerchiefs
—Boys Suits —Sweaters
—Boys Raincoats —Gloves
—Boys Shirts —Tool Chests
—Boys Blouses —Erecto Sets
—Boys Hose

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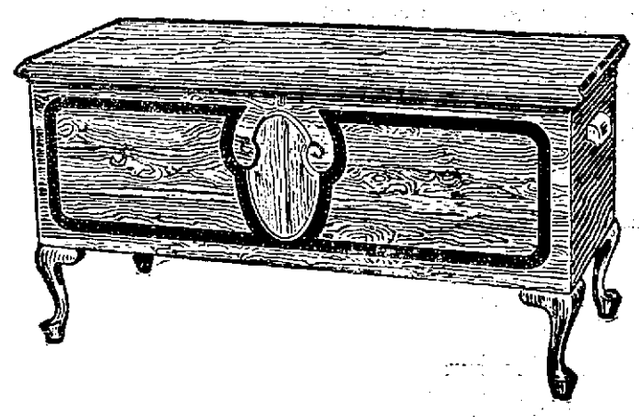


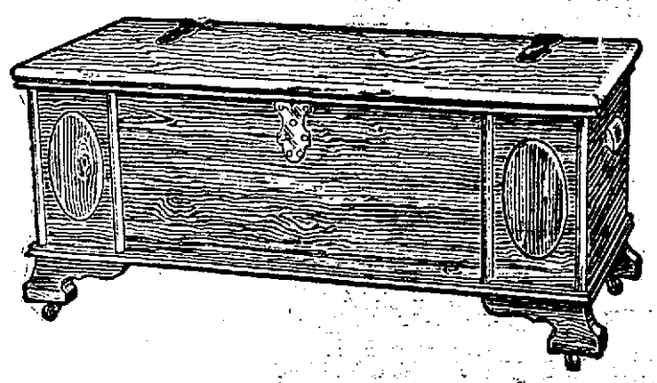
THE IDEAL CHRISTMAS GIFT
A CEDAR CHEST

We have just unloaded a large shipment of LANE STANDARD cedar chests. Nothing is more useful and more appreciated than a genuine LANE STANDARD Tennessee red cedar chest. We have a variety of patterns and prices that will suit every purse and we will be glad to reserve one until Christmas for you. Make your selection today while the assortment is complete.

Consider the utility of a cedar chest. A beautiful article of furniture to grace your home. Dust proof, damp proof, moth proof protection for your furs, clothing, blankets, and similar articles. A safe place for storage that is as convenient as a drawer in your dressing table.

The illustrations are just a few of the many exquisite designs in which LANE chests may be obtained.

John R. Corley Company
FURNITURE AND UNDERTAKING



BOXING ON DEFENSIVE, SAYS FARREL

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, Dec. 11.—Boxing, of he many popular American sports, is n the defensive most of the time. It s criticized more than any other sport nd it deserves some of the defamaory things said about it. Oratorical iefenses mean nothing and it is rather ad that its most used defensive argunent is its silliest—"the manly art of elf-defense."

Arguments that every one should earn how to box so as to be able to nock out a thug when attacked and ndorsements of the game founded on assertions that boxing won the war re absurd.

Boxers themselves know that.

One of the present world's champions, also one of the best educated and most mentally fit of them all, was approached recently by the representative of a syndicate with an offer to write his life and a series of instructions on boxing.

He was not interested and he was frank about it.

"It would be a source of very little revenue in the first place," he sand. "And then also I am not stupid enough to think that I am so much of a personage that the public would be interested in reading about my life. I do not believe it could be done with modesty.

"Also, I would not write a series of instructions on boxing. I do not want to teach anyone to box, or to recommend it as a profession. There is no such thing as boxing. It is fighting and the purpose of it is to make money I would not teach a son of mine to fight and I do not want to be instrumental in encouraging the son of another to get into the business.

"I would be willing to teach a youngster how to keep himself physically fit, teach him how to develop himself and how to retain his health and vigor I would like to do that, but it can never be done because to carry out the instructions it would entail some sacrifices. Such lessons never would be a success, because boys wont follow advice of that kind."

Many Draw Pensions From the U. S.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Although more than a century has elapsed since the war of 1812, widows of 40 veterans of that conflict still remain on the roll of the United States Pension Office, the annual report of the Commissioner of Pensions disclosed today.

Pensions paid out in the last fiscal year amounted to $263,012,500, bringing up the total disbursements to pensioners, under the pension system which dates back to 1790 to $6,606,356,621.

The pension roll during the past year was made up of 168,633 Civil War veterans, 261,580 Civil War widows, 68,393 Spanish War veterans and 12,167 Spanish War widows. There are yet on the roll 49 soldiers of the Mexican War, the report said.

During the year, 25,452 Civil War veterans and 23,974 Civil War widows died.

Disposal of 159,727 claims in the last year left 50,667 claims pending on July 1. Cooperation with the regular workers by temporary employees has resulted in bringing the work of the bureau to a current basis the report stated. Of the claims disposed of 54,462 were based on Civil War service and 69,854 on service in the war with Spain.

Over Six Million Pensions

Pension certificates issued amounted to 73,362 of which 24,961 were for Civil War service and 35,891 for service in the Spanish War, bringing up the total certificates issued since the beginning of the system to 6,441,165, the report said.

The net loss to the pension roll in the past year was 7,260. This was largely offset, the report stated, by a gain of 25,364 to the Spanish War soldier roll and an addition of 4,176 to the Spanish War widow roll.

The average annual value of a pension of all classes is $421.92. The average value of a pension paid Civil War veterans is $661; of the war with Spain, $187; of the war with Mexico, $729; of the Indian wars, $217.

The average annual pension paid to a widow of a Civil War veteran is $359; of a Spanish War veteran, $240, of a Mexican War veteran, $351; of an Indian War veteran, $149; and by death of a soldier husband from injury or disease originating while in the service $213.

Pensions are paid at rates varying from $2 per month to $416.67 per month. Pensions at rates below $12 per month are being paid to 6,723 persons, while six persons are being paid at rates in excess of $100 per monht.

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

ERIE, Pa.—Buddy De Marco, Pittsburgh, got a decision over Phil Logan, Buffalo, in ten rounds. Spider Bryan, Oswego, N. Y., and Scotty Reaburn, Youngstown, fought to a draw in six rounds.

SOUTH BEND, Ind.—Notre Dame's grid schedule will be cut from ten to eight games next year, the athletic board has decided. Coach Lockne is on his way to New York today, where it is believed he will negotiate for an Eastern game on the Irish 1924 card.

Dr. Roy Leamon was in his office Monday, following having his tonsils removed the Saturday before.

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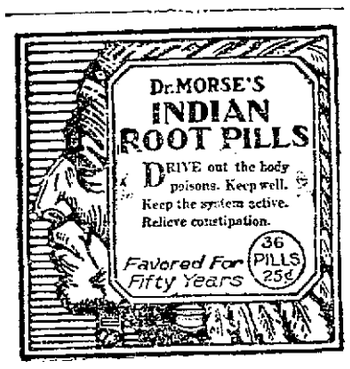

Free Show To Grammar School Kids Saturday

Mr. L. S. Patterson of the Patterson Jewelry Company of this city is giving through the co-operation of Pat Box of the National theatre a free morning matinee at that theatre next Saturday morning at 10 a. m.

This show—one of the best that has ever been seen here—is positively free to all pupils of Grammar grades, both boys and girls. The children will form on commerce street in front of or near Patterson Jewelry Company store at 9:30.

At 9:45 a fifteen minutes parade will be held over principal business streets which will be participated in by all pupils and $5.00 in gold will be given to the boy or girl carrying the best advertising slogan adaptable to Patterson Jewelry Company business.

Mr. Patterson's advertising column carries complete details today. This offers a good opportunity to the boys and girls to show their ability in slogan writing.

The judges who will award the prize are Mr. C. L. Tatum advertising manager of the Mexia Daily News and Mr. John McElroy, manager of the Hindon-McElroy Company of this city.

American Oil Paintings In Clark Contest

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The ninth exhibition of contemporary American oil paintings at the Corcoran Art Gallery, one of the outstanding art events of the year, today awaited the verdict of the public.

After six weeks devoted to clearing the galleries of the regular collections and to hanging the work of the contemporary artists, during which timethe Gallery has been closed, the doors were to be thrown open today and the winners of prizes announced.

The jury of selection and award this year consisted of Edward W. Redfield, of Center Bridge, Pa., chairman; Gari Melchers, of Virginia, and New York; Ralph Clarkson, Chicago, Lillian Wescott Hale, Boston and Rockwell Kent, New York.

Redfield is a well known painter of winter landscapes. His work is represented in both the Corcoran and National galleries here. Melchers is renowned for his figure paintings and interiors. Clarkson is primarily portrait painter, as is Lillian Hale, though Mrs. Hale possesses a very distinguished talent for interiors with figures. Kent is one of the interesting figures of the art world, a daring innovator, a brilliant artist and illustrator and an unusual character.

The cash prizes awarded at this years exhibition, as at previous showings are derived from the William A. Clark fund of $100,000, the interest of which is used for this purpose and for the purchase of works of art. Clark was formerly United States Senator from Montana.

The prizes are first, $2,000 and the Corcoran gold medal; second, $1,500 and the Corcoran silver medal; third, $1,000 and the Corcoran bronze medal; fourth, $500 and honorary mention.

An additional prize of $200, determined by poular vote of visitors to the exhibition will be awarded in January. Keenest inerest attends this determination of the most popular painting exhibited. The public's choice is rarely that of the jury.

Mrs. C. W. Cone, who has been spending the week end with relatives at Dallas, returned home yesterday.

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The Money Question

That question is uppermost in the minds of most people most of the time.

Those who have settled the question are with few exceptions, those who have long ago adopted the habit of saving.

Those who have yet to settle it, will also settle it in this way.

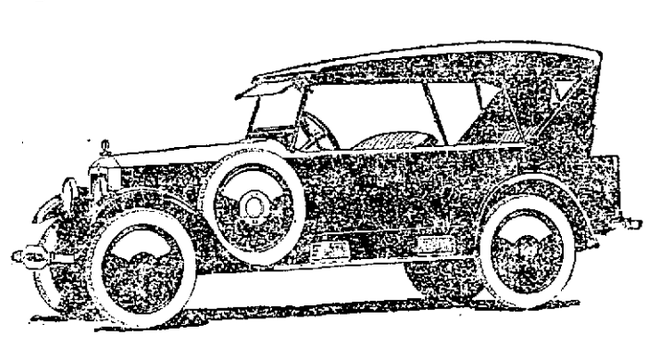
There is no royal road to easy street. Combine your determination with our helpful attitude and resources, and your success,

while it may come gradually, will be sure to come.

This bank stands squarely behind the interests of every patron.

FARMERS STATE BANK

A Studebaker for Xmas



BIG SIX SPEEDSTER

This car was created to meet the demand for a comfortable five-passenger car of long wheel-base with power, speed and of striking appearance. The body is finished in rich maroon, set off by disc wheels, commodious trunk, tailored top and nickel-plated bumpers. We now have this car on display.

Suggestive automotive gifts for Christmas can be seen in our windows. If we haven't what you want we will gladly order it for you. We will appreciate your patronage. Give us a trial.

MEXIA MOTOR CAR CO., Inc.
500 East Commerce St. PHONE 213

THIS IS A STUDEBAKER YEAR

J. R. Preson spent the first of the week with his family here. He is at present making his headquarters at Corsicana.

Euel Hall of the J. R. Neece Lumber Company spent Sunday with home folks in Hillsboro.

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It is the most speedy remedy we know

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You haven't time to shop around—haven't much time even to think about what to give.

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It will solve every perplexing problem of your Christmas list and take a load off your mind.

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A visit to our show cases will convince you we have everything that is Jewelry.

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Beiber Brothers Bargain Store

BIG

CLEAN UP SALE

BEGINNING WEDNESDAY MORNING DEC. 12TH.

Ladies' Coats

—One lot of Ladies' Long and Short Coats priced from—
$2.98 to $24.98

Suits

—One lot of Ladies' pretty Suits in assorted sizes in this sale, priced at—
$8.98 to $19.98

Dresses

—One lot of Ladies' dresses in assorted colors and sizes. Going in this Sale
$2.98 to $14.98

Top Skirts

—One lot of ladies' top skirts, regular price $3.50 to $5.50, going in this sale
98c

House Dresses

—One lot of Ladies' House Dresses assorted in size and color. We are going to sell them out for only—
84c

Gingham and Organdie Dresses

—One big lot of Ladies' Gingham and Organdie Dresses. We are going to close out from—
$1.48 to $2.98

Wool Sweaters

—One lot of Ladies' Wool Sweaters going in this sale—
$1.48 to $3.98

Silk Hose

—Ladies Silk Hose, assorted colors, assorted sizes, regular 75c values, now on sale at per pair ..... 48¢
Ladies' Silk Hose, worth $1.00, now on sale at per pair ..... 68¢
Regular $1.50 Silk Hose, now on sale at only ..... 98¢
Regular $2.00 Silk Hose now on sale at only $1.48
Regular $2.50 Silk Hose now on sale at only $1.88
Regular $3.50 Silk Hose now on sale at only $2.48

Suspenders - Belts - Neckties - Gloves
Men's Caps and Hats will be sold at very low prices during this sale.

Store Will Be Closed All Day Tuesday Arranging for the Big Clean Up Sale

FREE We will give to the first ten customers buying $10 worth of goods or more, a big size doll worth $7.50 to $10 absolutely FREE. No game of chance—you buy the goods cheap and get the doll FREE!

THE BIG SALE WILL BEGIN WEDNESDAY MORNING, 9:30

We mean strictly business! Cotton has gone up in price but our dry goods are coming down. We are sure that the people of Mexia and surrounding country remember the BIG VALUES given in our last sale. We are going to give Bigger Bargains this time. You can buy clothes for your whole family at our store and buy them real cheap. Don't take our word—just come on down to the Big Clean Up Sale and you will see that we are telling you the truth.

If you have got lots of children you will save Lots of MONEY!

Ginghams

Regular 20c grade, yard ..... 14½¢
Regular 25c grade, yard ..... 19½¢
Regular 35c grade, yard ..... 24 ¢

Domestic

25c Domestic at yard ..... 17½¢

Outing and Canton Flannel

25c grades on sale at per yd ..... 17½¢

Union Suits

—Ladies' union suits, regular $1.50 values, now on sale at each ..... 94¢
—One lot of unions worth $1.95, now on sale at $1.25

Special on Hose

Regular 20c ladies' hose ..... 12¢
Regular 25c ladies' hose ..... 18¢
Regular 35c ladies' hose ..... 25¢
Regular 50c ladies' hose ..... 38¢

SHOES SHOES SHOES

Our big line of shoes are on sale at greatly reduced prices.

Men's Dress Shoes

Regular $5.00 Shoes, sale price $3.98
Regular $6.00 Shoes, sale price $4.98
Regular $7.50 Shoes, sale price $5.98
Regular $8.50 Shoes, sale price $6.98

Work Shoes

Regular $3.00 Shoes, sale price $2.48
Regular $4.50 Shoes, sale price $3.48
Regular $5.00 Shoes, sale price $3.98

Dress Boots

Officers Army Dress Boots, solid leather, going in this sale at $8.98

Work Boots

Good work boots, regular price $11.98, on sale at $8.48
Regular $9.95 boots, on sale at $7.95
Regular $7.50 boots, on sale at $6.48

Men's Union Suits

Real heavy fleeced line first quality, regular $1.95 grade, on sale at $1.48
Good heavy union retailing at $1.50, on sale at $1.24

Men's Handkerchiefs

One lot of men's handkerchiefs on sale at each ..... 5¢
One lot on sale at each ..... 8¢

SPECIAL

Ladies' House Shoes, all sizes and colors at per pair—
84c

Silk Sox

Men's Silk Sox, regular 65c grade, on sale at per pair ..... 48¢
Men's Silk Sox, regular $1.25 grade, on sale at per pair ..... 98¢

Men's Sox

Regular 15c kind, on sale at ..... 10¢
Regular 20c kind, on sale at ..... 14¢
Regular 25c kind, on sale at ..... 18¢

Men's Overalls

Men's regular $1.95 overalls on sale at —$1.48
Men's regular $2.25 overalls on sale at —$1.68

Boys' Suits

One big lot of boys suits, regular prices $7.00 to $18.00, on sale at
$2.98 to $9.98
We are going to close out the entire line. We will absolutely lose money on boys suits.

Boy's Knee Pants

We are going to close out our entire line of boys pants at 25c to 50c on the dollar during this sale.

Boy's Overalls

One lot of real good overalls; 240 denim, regular price $1.25, sale price 98¢

Men's Clothing

—One lot of men's all wool suits, ranging in price from $24 to $35 will be closed out at—
$14.98 to $24.98

Sheep Skin Coats

—One lot of sheep skin coats worth $18.50 to close out at—
$11.98 to $9.98

Mackinaws

—One lot of men's mackinaws to close out for—
$4.48 to $6.48

Khaki Pants

One lot of men's khaki pants, regular price $1.95 on sale at $1.48
One lot of the $2.50 kind at $1.88
One lot of $3.50 values at $2.88
One lot of Whip Cord pants, lace leg or button, worth $5.00 at $3.98
One lot of lace pants, regular price $3.00, on sale at $2.48

Dress Pants

One lot of men's dress pants, regular price $3.50, on sale at per pair $2.48
Dress pants, regular price $4.50, on sale at per pair $2.88
Dress pants, regular price $6.50 on sale at per pair $5.48
Dress pants, regular $7.50 values on sale at per pair $6.48

Men's Dress Shirts

$6.50 Silk Shirts, on sale at $4.48
$5.00 Silk Shirts, on sale at $3.98
$3.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at $2.88
$2.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at $1.88
$1.50 Men's Shirts, on sale at ..... 98¢

Men's Work Shirts

65c Work Shirts, sale price ..... 48¢
95c Work Shirts, sale price ..... 68¢
Men's Big Yank Khaki Shirts, regular price $1.50, sale price ..... 98¢
Men's Flannel Shirts, regular price $1.50, sale price ..... 98¢
Men's Flannel Shirts, regular price $1.75, sale price $1.24

Men's Army Wool Shirts

$5.00 Shirts on sale at $3.48

Remember the date and place! Be here when the doors swing open. Max Beiber, manager of Beiber Brothers, will be at the door to greet every customer. WEDNESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 12th.

SPECIAL

Men's [illegible] boy leggings, regular $5.00 values $2.33
One table of [illegible] assorted sizes, sale price per pair $1.48

BEIBER BROTHERS

BARGAIN STORE

—During the first two days of our sale we will give free to the customer who trades the most over $50 a beautiful 8 piece silver and gold punch set. Our windows will be closed with circulars during our sale.

SPECIAL

One counter of solid leather slippers in broken sizes, per pair ..... 98¢

MEXIA TEXAS

James Rennie, Bebe Daniels and Mahlon Hamilton in a scene from the Paramount Picture "His Children's Children" A Sam Wood Production

National Theatre Tomorrow

Arrangements Made For Record Flight By Moonlight From Dallas To Mexia

Flying from Dallas to Mexia by moonlight with the express intention to lower the record for distance flown if possible Mr. Edward La Valle formerly of Ellington field United States Air service will hop off at Dallas Fair Park Friday night about 8:00 o'clock.

Mr. La Valle was in Mexia Monday making final arrangements for landing at Gusher park here and expects to make the 90 miles in 35 minutes.

He will use a monster De Haviland plane and will follow the switch lights of the H. & T. C. railroad the entire distance.

This flight is being made under the auspices of the associated luncheon clubs of Mexia who are giving a banquet that night in this city with Judge Davidson as honor guest and several other notable visitors present.

L. S. (Pat) Patterson of Mexia Rotary club will, after broadcasting a speech from the Dallas Station to the banqueters here, travel as a passenger with Mr. La Valle in his record breaking flight.

Mr. Patterson is owner of the Patterson Jewelry Company of this city, a director of Mexia Rotary club and Vice President Mexia Chamber of Commerce. He is an enthusiast by nature and is making the flight purely as an adventure and to demonstrate how recent discoveries have eliminated time and distance.

It is to be hoped that no engine trouble will be encountered as in this case it would be necessary for Mr. Patterson to get out and crank the engine.

KILL NINE AN HOUR

CHICAGO, (United Press.)—Nine persons an hour are killed by preventable accidents in the United States every hour of the twenty-four declared Richard E. Kropf, supreme regent of the Royal Arcanum, to a conference of fraternal insurance executives called here to consider a safety-first campaign. The fraternal bodies are planning a general revival of safety educational drives, it was said.

Q. Perry Potts, secretary of J. I. Riddle Company, Inc., is sick at home with the measels. He was taken sick late Sunday afternoon.

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City National Bank Bldg.
Phones: Office 143
Res. Phones: Dr. Metcalf 16.
Dr. Leamon 119.

Letters from People

NOWLIN POST

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 5, 1923.

Dear Sirs:

Please tell me how the American Legion Post at Mexia came to be called the Nowlin Post.

My mother was a Nowlin, and all the Nowlins are of one family. I should like to have the name of some one of the family that would write to me.

I shall be grateful to you for any trouble you may go to, to give me this information.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Kyle B. Price.
4119 Gilbert Street.

MELLON'S PLAN

Washington, D. C., Dec. 7, 1923.

Mr. W. K. Boyd,
Mexia, Texas.

Dear Mr. Boyd:

Receipt is acknowledged of endorsement signed by you and other citizens of Mexia, mailed me on 3rd inst., endorsing certain features of Secretary Mellon's plan for revision and reduction of the Federal Income Tax.

I appreciate very much your views upon this important question.

Without committing myself to Secretary Mellon's proposed plan in its entirety, I will say, however, there are two features thereof which especially commend themselves to me, and which I shall favor—the revision of taxes downward, and a special reduction of the income tax, in so far as it relates to earned incomes.

Trusting that you will feel free to express your views to me upon all legislation that may arise during the 68th Congress, and with kindest personal regards, believe me to be,

Sincerely yours,
LUTHER A JOHNSON.

Work on the Hughes Demonstration Home is suspended for today on account of the bad weather. The lovely little home will be completed within the next few days. Part of the two story building on the adjacent corner, on Ross, has already been moved.

FRANKLIN, Ind.—Franklin College football team could not decide on a captain. It was agreed that a new leader would be chosen for each game next season.

Gwyndolin, seven-year-old daughter of Ed Allen, is sick with the measels. Mr. Allen stated that her case is not serious and that she would probably be up soon.

NOTICE

Springfield Lodge No. 74
A. F. and A. M.
Colon Phillips, W. M.

Called meeting tonight for work in Masters Degree. Visitors are always welcome.

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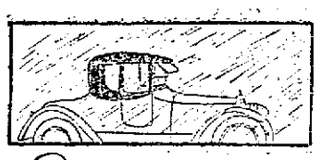

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'ALL READY FOR WINTER WINDS, RAIN,

snow and sleet. Be prepared for inclement weather by having a winter top adjusted of our special design that will make your open car surpassed only by the more expensive closed models. The comfort and protection you will receive from this top will more than prove that you have made a wise investment. See us now.

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at Mammoth Garage
214 E. Palestine Street

J. R. Neece Lumber Co.
Phone 35 107-9 E. Palestine

Cold Weather

is bringing out the heavy clothes—but don't put your light ones away until they have been sent to the laundry.

Moths Do Not Work

on clean clothes as quickly as dirty ones. No garments too delicate or too large.

Dry Cleaning, Pressing and Dying

NEW-WAY LAUNDRY

PHONE 399

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Buy your heating stoves now before it gets cold. I have a large stock of all kinds of Heaters, Cook Stoves, Dishes, Aluminum Vessels of all kinds. In fact, I carry most anything to be found in a modern hardware store for the housekeeper.

Attention Farmers

I sell the celebrated line of Oliver Implements. Peter Schuttler Wagons, Birdsell Wagons, Hercules Bug gies. I am headquarters for the good old handmade harness that wears like a pig's nose. The best collars, bridles and lines as cheap as good ones can be sold.

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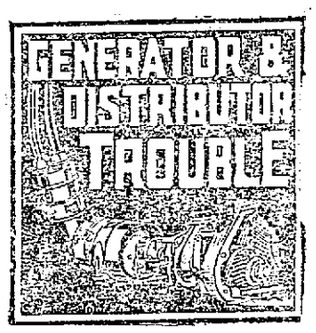

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Our stock in household goods is complete.

See our new kitchen cabinets, gas stoves, gas heaters, wood heaters, rockers, beds, bed springs and novelties.

We sell, exchange and buy all kinds of furniture.

By City Hall Mexia WALTON'S By Post Office Corsicana

WHAT ABOUT THEM?

There's no distress like widowhood! Particularly is this true where no money or estate is left for her surviving days.
Do you want to leave your widow, your mother or your children in that position? Are you going to impose upon their inexperience?
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I specialize in insurance on country property such as barns, dwellings and feed stuff.

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rooms. 515 N. Sherman. 4L7

The Day's Opportunities As Told In The Classified Ads

BRINGING UP FATHER

Bringing Up Father Appears Daily in The Mexia Daily News

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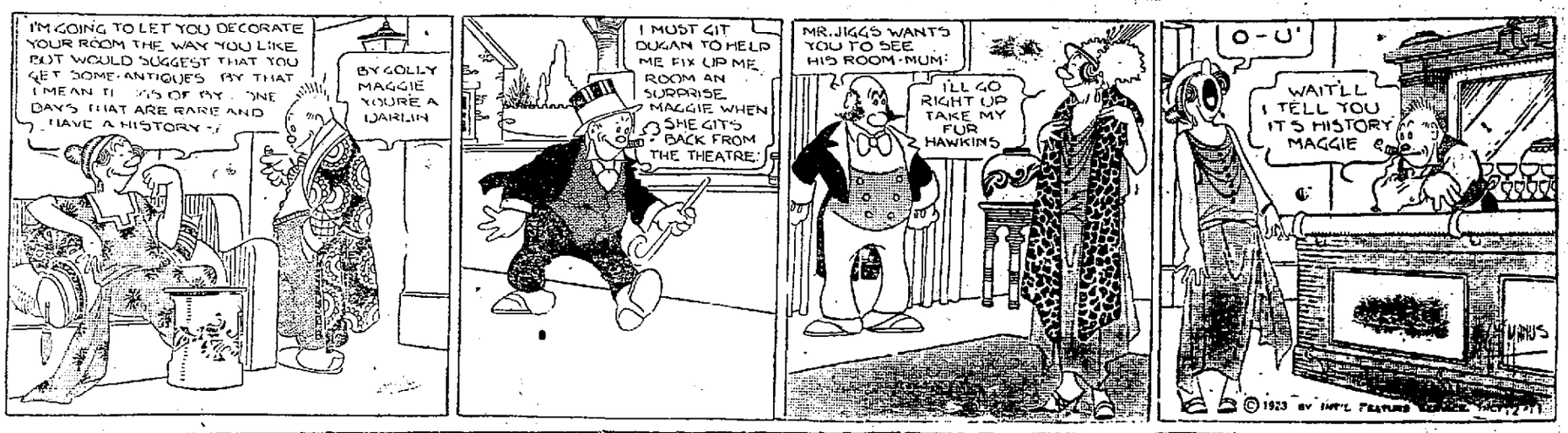
By George McManus


I'M GOING TO LET YOU DECORATE YOUR ROOM THE WAY YOU LIKE BUT WOULD SUGGEST THAT YOU GET SOME ANTIQUES BY THAT I MEAN THINGS OF BYGONE DAYS THAT ARE RARE AND HAVE A HISTORY
BY GOLLY MAGGIE YOURE A DARLIN
I MUST GIT DUGAN TO HELP ME FIX UP ME ROOM AN SURPRISE MAGGIE WHEN SHE GITS BACK FROM THE THEATRE
MR. JIGGS WANTS YOU TO SEE HIS ROOM-MUM
I'LL GO RIGHT UP TAKE MY FUR HAWKINS
O-U'
WAIT'LL I TELL YOU IT'S HISTORY MAGGIE
GEO MCMANUS

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CLASSIFIED RATES—One cent a word for each insertion. No single ad taken for less than 25 cents. Everybody reads these little ads, so if you want to buy or sell, or have lost or found any article, here is where you can get good results. No advertisement accepted over the telephone except from those who have a Regular Charge Account.

DID YOU KNOW that there are many changes daily in Mexia's rooming houses. These individuals watch this column constantly for available rooms. The column offers its service in helping rent your rooms. Give particulars in your ad. That's what the reader wants.

HELP WANTED—A

WANTED—A cook at once. Call 803 South Ross. Phone 254-W. 7A3

EARN $20 WEEKLY spare time, at home, addressing mailing music, circulars. Send 10c for music, information. America Music Co., 1658 Broadway, Dept. Y-29, N. Y. 10A7

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST One pocket book containing some $, also check invoice of Magnolia Petroleum Co., some papers, etc. Phone 115, receive reward. Bon Hickman. 9D2

WANTED TO BUY—E

OLD CARS WANTED—Will pay cash for your old car to wreck, or will sell you used parts cheap for repairing. Will sell your car on commission or trade it for you. See me before buying or selling your old car. J. E. McDowell, 111 North McKinney. 7E7

SECOND HAND FURNITURE wanted. Will pay spot cash for all kinds of second hand furniture. Beds, dressers, chairs and stoves especially wanted. Auction Store, 117 East Palestine St. 7E7

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—F

FIVE-PASSENGER Texan car, needs some repair but looks good. Will trade for teams, cattle, house or lot. Give or take difference. Call 316 Red River street. 9F4

WE SELL and exchange all kinds of furniture, floor covering, stoves, and kitchen hardware. M. Langston, new and second hand furniture. Phone 56. May 16tf.

WANTED—Furs of all kind to sell at Wardrobe Exchange. 218 North McKinney. Phone 557-J. 4E7

OIL PROPOSITIONS—G

OIL LANDS FOR SALE—Large acreage in Falls County for immediate drilling contract. Address I. N. Conners, owner, Marlin, Texas. 10G8

REAL ESTATE—I

FOR SALE—1210 acres of land located in Leon County about four miles south of Marquez on highway and International and Great Northern railroad. All fenced, most hog proof. About 800 acres in cultivation. Remainder mostly timbered. Six or Seven tenant houses. Plenty water. Convenient to schools. Most of land very fine. There is long time loan at low rate interest. If interester write or phone. A. F. Sledge, Tyler, Texas. 11I11

FOR SALE—J

COATS, DRESSES, suits and hats cheap at Wardrobe Exchange. Everything worn by the human race. Dry cleaning and pressing and furs made over; alterations a specialty. Wardrobe Exchange. Phone 557-J. 218 N. McKinney. 13J11

FOR SALE—One 15 K. V. A. Generator, Morse Fairbanks. News Publishing Co. 3J15

FOR SALE—One lot on Commerce, paved street, in Ross Addition. News Publishing Co. See W. K. Boyd. 3J7

FOR SALE 500 shares of E. L. Smith at 75c a share. Box 18, News. 3J6

ROOFING TAR—Repair your leaky roof before another big rain. $1.00 per gallon. Auction Store, 117 East Palestine St. 7J7

FOR SALE—Two vacant lots also one 3 room house and lot in Grammar School Addition. Will trade or sell cheap. Jim Henson, 316 Red River street. 9J1

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Nice 6 room house, close in for rent. See Tom L. Cox. 9K3

FOR RENT—Light housekeeping rooms. 515 N. Sherman. 4L7

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR RENT—Desirable two and three room apartments, conveniently located, all modern conveniences, lights, gas and water, furnished. Reasonable rates. Gates Apartments, 834 East Commerce St. Telephone 633. 8L26

CITY HOTEL—All outside rooms, $1 per day. Special rates by week. Corner McKinney and Palestine. 20-26

FOR RENT—One 3 room furnished apartment; lights, water, gas and bath. Little Texas Apartments. 314 N. Sherman St. Phone 528. 6L7

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms on pavement; gas, water and lights furnished. 507 East Carthage. 9L3

WANTED—Two boarders. Nice quilts for sale. Phone 455-L. Lula Holland, 319 N. Red River St. 7U1

AUTOMOBILES—N

USED CARS FOR SALE
At Your Own Price
2 Ford Touring
3 Overland Touring
1 Dodge Touring
2 Buick Touring
E. M. STRANGE,
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25N7

Keep Too Much To Themselves

Many men and women of middle age feel that they have never had a chance to make anything out of themselves. But the main reason for it usually is that they let such things as pimples, rash, "breaking out," eczema, tetter, etc., on their face, neck, hands or arms make them feel that they are not wanted around and they keep to themselves too much.

You can get just as much out of life as anyone. All you need is confidence in yourself, which you get naturally when you rid yourself of these skin troubles, if you just use the wonderful Black and White Ointment. It is economically priced, in generous packages. All dealers have it. The 50c size contains three times as much as the 25c size.—(Adv.)

A party for the inspection of the Southern Pacific Railroad property in Texas and Louisiana passed through Mexia Sunday at three thirty o'clock on a special train. The party was made up of a number of officials of the road and was in charge of Assistant General Manager J. G. Torian. This inspection takes place annually.

A. L. Higdon of the firm of Higdon and McElroy of Lampasas was a Mexia visitor Sunday and Monday.

LETTERS TO SANTA CLAUS

Dear Santa Claus:

I want you to please bring me a little saddle, a coasting wagon if you have one and as much of the Humpty-Dumpty set as you can. I have the measles and hope I will be well enough to shoot some fire works Xmas night.

Your little boy,
Blake Forrest.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me lots of doll clothes and a dresser to keep them in and two little dolls, a little trunk and a little cabinet. I am expecting to have the measles about that time so I guess I won't be able to get out.

Your little girl,
Louncita Forrest.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a French harp, airgun, a box of BB shot, football, drum and some fireworks.

Your little friend,
Neal Edward Evens.

Dear Santa Claus:

Please bring me a great big sleepy doll, a doll table too and all kinds of fireworks and candy and nuts. I am a little girl 7 years old.

Your friend,
Lucile Jackson.

Mexia, Texas.

My Dear Santa Claus:—I am a little girl 6 years old. There are just oodles and oodles of things I want. But mother said that there were other little children that wouldn't get much, so I sure do want a ma-ma doll, a doll buggy and doll bed. I also want a little sewing machine, so if that isn't too much, I will be glad to get them. I don't want any candy, fruit and nuts, as I can get them every time I go to Hitt & Hitt store, which is from one to three times aday.

Well so long Santa.

Your little friend,
Mary Jane Hatcher.
West Tyler street.

PANCHO VILLA'S BAND COMING TO MEXIA

Pancho Villa is dead, but the name of that world famed bandit will live forever. And form indications the triumphant reception afforded the famous Pancho Villa Mexican Patrol Band in every city they have had the pleasure of giving concerts his name will continue to live. Not as a bandit outlaw, but as the originator of this famous musical organization at the head of which he rode during several of his masseres in Old Mexico, and up until the time of his death he received many compliments for having the greatest band of soloists and artists ever essembled by an outlaw or bandit in history. This organization has cost an enormous sum of money to tour the United States when we take in ti consideration the entire repitore numbering over two thousand complete numbers had to be transposed from Spanish into English. Captain S. L. Miller, assisted by Senor Don Cerventez the late director of the original assembly, spent seven and one-half months and many thousand dollars bringing together the members of the original patrol. After being disbanded through the death of their leader, Francisco Villa. It is the first time that an organization of this kind has ever attempted a tour of the United States under American management, American Director and presenting their entire programs in English.

Pancho Villa's Band will render concerts matinee and night at the National Theatre Wednesday, December 12th.

TO DARKEN SAGE APPLY SAGE TEA

Common garden sage brewed into a heavy tea with sulphur added, will turn gray, streaked and faded hair beautifully dark and luxuriant. Just a few applications will prove a revelation if your hair is fading, streaked or gray. Mixing the Sage Tea and Sulphur recipe at home, though, is troublesome. An easier way is to get a bottle of Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound at any drug store all ready for use. This is the old-time recipe improved by the addition of other ingredients.

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FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 10.—A plane to colonize 51,000 acres of land in the Panhandle will be taken up with state officials in the near future, according to Homer D. Wade, of the West Texas chamber of commerce. The land was received by the state in a recent law suit against the Freehold Land company of London.

NOTICE

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the City National Bank of Mexia, will be held at its banking house Tuesday, January 8, 1924, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M. for the purpose of electing Directors to serve for the ensuing year and for the transaction of any other business that may proprely come before it.

Mexia, Texas, December 8th, 1923.
W. G. FORREST, Cashier.
(10-17-24-31-7)

NOTICE IN PROBATE

THE STATE OF TEXAS

To the Sheriff of any Constable of Limestone County—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to cause to be posted (for ten days, exclusive of the day of posting) in three of the most public places in your county, one of which shall be at the Court House door, and no two in the same City or town, copies of the following notice:

The State of Texas.

To all persons interested in the Ed Menefield, Jr., a person of unsound mind, Celestine Menefield has filed in the County Court of Limestone County an application for Letters of Guardianship in estate of Ed Menefield, Jr., a person of unsound mind, which will be heard at the next term of said Court, commencing the first Monday in January, A. D., 1924, same being January 7th, A. D., 1924, at the Court House thereof, in the town of Groesbeck at which time all persons interested in said Estate may appear and contest said application, if they see proper.

Herein fail not, under penalty of the law, and of this Writ make due return.

Given under my hand and seal of office, in the town of Groesbeck, the 7th day of December, 1923.

Attest: J. L. DAY, Clerk County Court, Limestone County.
By Anna Burney, deputy.

I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original Citation now in my hand.

WHIT POPEJOY, Sheriff.
By N. P. HARRIS, Deputy.
Dec. 9-12-16

SHERIFF'S SALE

THE STATE OF TEXAS
County of Limestone,

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of a certain execution for cost, issued out of the Honorable 87th, District Court of Limestone County, of the 30th day of Nov., 1923, by The District Clerk, of said Limestone County, for the sum of Thirty-six 22-100 ($36.22) dollars and costs of suit, under an Execution for Cost, in favor of T. A. White, in a certain cause in said Court No. 3127-B and styled T. A. White, vs Fred S. Lack, Madge Lack, Doris Lack, Hattie Lack, Geo. Lack, Charles Lack, Dr. Stone, Annie Berbower, F. R. Berbower and Verginia Stone, placed in my hands for service, I, Whit Popejoy, as sheriff of Limestone County, Texas, did, on the 30th day of Nov., 1923, levy on certain Real Estate situated in Limestone County, Texas, described as follows, to wit:

All that certain tract or parcel of land in Limestone County, Texas, being 50 acres out of the S. E. corner of the H. Hines survey and 14 acres out of the N. E. corner of said J. E. Lewis survey and described thus: Begin at a stake in the East line of said Lewis survey 149 vs. from its N. E. corner; Thence N. 30 W. at 149 vs. pass the said corner, which is also the S. E. corner of the Hines survey and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake in the East line of said Hines survey; Thence S. 60 W. 531 vrs to a stake; Thence S. 30 E. at 531 vrs. cross the common line of said Hines survey and said Lewis survey, and continuing in all 680 vrs. to a stake, which is also the ell corner of tract No. 1 hereinabove first described; Thence N. 60 E. with same 531 vrs. to beginning, containing 64 acres, and levied upon as the property of Fred S. Lack, et al., and that on the first Tuesday in January, 1924, the same being the 1st, day of said month, at the Court House door, of Limestone County, in the town of Groesbeck, Texas, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 4 P. M., by virtue of said levy and said Execution for Cost, I will sell said above described Real Estate at public vendue, for cash, to the highest bidder, as the property of said Fred S. Lack, et al.

And in compliance with law, I give this notice by publication, in the English language, once a week for three consecutive weeks immediately preceding said day of sale, in the Mexia Daily News, a newspaper published in Limestone County.

Witness my hand, this 30th day of Nov., 1923.

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County Teachers Anxious To See Every Pupil in Limestone County A Paying Member Of Red Cross

By CORA FERGUSON,
Limestone Cohnty Superintendent
Of Schools.

The County Teavhers Association met in Groesbeck, December 8, 1923. This is a live, wide-awake body, but the attendance was rather light.

Interesting and helpful talks were made by Mr. Bickley of Personville, and Mr. Jones of Little Brazos.

Mrs. J. Cull Sanders, the indomitable leader of Red Cross forces in Limestone County, gave an interesting and instructive address on the Red Cross drive for a Health Nurse for the county. To make a beginning, the Association voted that every teacher strive for the enrollment of every pupil in his school as a member at twnety-five cents each. Every cent of this amount can be used for the nurse. Mrs. Sanders appointed a committee composed of the teachers to represent their respective schools and they to appoint as many assistants as may be needed to secure members of adults at one dollar. Fifty cents of this amount goes to General Headquarters of the Red Cross. If a member pays as much as five dollars, four dollars and fifty cents will be retained in the county and only fifty cents goes to headquarters. So, you can readily see that the five dollar memberships are very desirable.

I certainly hope that every teacher will get to work on this and help put this great work in the county. Send money and members to Mrs. J. Cull Sanders, Groesbeck, Texas.

Mr. Farrar, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce of Groesbeck in an eloquent talk invited the schools of Limestone County to come and aid in the Semi-Centennial celebration to be held at Groesbeck, December 20. Each school is urged to be in the parade with a decorated float or car. Even if you feel you will not be able to be in the parade, take a holiday and come even if you have to make it at the end of school. The cornerstone for the new courthouse will be laid and a big barbecue dinner will be served.

Fifty years from now many will be here that celebrated this birthday of your county seat. So, come and help us make this the greatest day that Groesbeck ever had.

NOWLIN POST AMERICAN LEGION UNDERTAKES GOOD CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM IN LIMESTONE SCHOOLS

The following self explanatory letter is today being sent out to the teachers of schools in Limestone County, setting forth the plan by which the local legion hopes to be a factor in the promotion of patriotism in this section:

"To the Teachers of Limestone County:

Among the fundamental principles of the American Legion expressed in the preamble to its constitution are the following, to-wit:

'To uphold and defend the constitution of the United States and of the State of Texas; To maintain law and order, a representative form of government and white supremacy; To inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation: And to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom and democracy.'

The organization is absolutely non-partisan in its functions and by a consecration of the efforts of its members to the above enumerated principles, they hope to achieve that standard of citizenship which best typifies the true ideals of Americanism.

In furtherance of this purpose Nowlin Post 124, American Legion with headquarters at Mexia, hopes to conduct, through the co-operation of the schools of this county, an educational campaign for good citizenship. This Post of the American Legion feels that if each school in the county could set aside one day of its term which could be styled and designated 'Americanism and Good Citizenship Day' and on such occasion receive inspirational addresses in accord with the principles above mentioned that much good can be accomplished.

This Post of the American Legion in anticipation that such a movement will be acceptable to the teachers of this County has organized a good citizenship speakers bureau from members in this Post composed of such men as C. A. Puckett, superintendent Mexia Public Schools, E. M. Andrews, principal, Mexia High School, A. Garland Adair, Editor Mexia Daily News, Warren J. Dale, Attorney, O. F. Watkins, Attorney and many others who can be available for such exercises and are willing to give such movement their time and effort. Are you willing to join us in this undertaking?

In addition to the benefits to be derived above mentioned such a movement would tend to unite and solidify the entire citizenship of the county into one broad teaching of precepts and principles of Americanism. If you believe the above statements are correct will you agree to set aside one day of the term of your school for such purposes at which time and occasion this Post will be only too glad to furnish you from the personnel of its Speakers Bureau any of the speakers you desire.

If you are interested in this undertaking and agree with us as to the merits of same, please write C. A. Puckett, Supt., Mexia Public Schools, or O. F. Watkins, Post Commander, Nowlin Post American Legion; an expression of your views thereon."

Eddie Paul Moore Still in Bed After Hit By Automobile

Mrs. Jim Moore reports that her little son Eddie Paul who was injured in being run down by an auto driven by some girls Saturday is resting nicely today but that he will be unable to be out of bed for several days yet. Eddie Paul is the eight year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Moore who reside on East Main and Brooks streets. He was struck down Saturday afternoon at 513 East Commerce, near Canton, the car passing over his body without the wheels touching him. Messrs. Lynn Kennedy and Elliott picked the little fellow up and carried him to Dr. Doscit's office for surgical attention. It was found that his hip was badly dislocated and a deep gash also made in the blow and fall. He will be in bed several days yet and then will be on crutches for a while after he is able to be up. The car was driven by a girl who was accompanied by another girl. They refused to stop to give any aid and are not known. One of the girls called over the telephone later to find out how the boy was getting along but she did not divluge her name, according to Mrs. Moore.

EASTERN STARS TO CELEBRATE THEIR 25TH BIRTHDAY

According to Mrs. Oscar Denning, Worthy Matron, Mexia Chapter of the Order of Eastern Stars, Wednesday evening of this week, at the Masonic Temple, will celebrate the 25th anniversary of the local chapter. A very interesting program is being arranged and the hour promises to be profitable and enjoyable for all who attend. Mrs. Denning states that all past matrons and patrons will be guests of honor. All Eastern Stars are to be guests of honor. All members are urged to be present. They are also invited to bring their husbands.

OPEN HOUSE AT HIGH SCHOOL TO BE HELD MONDAY

The open house program planned to be held at the high school Friday evening has been postponed until Monday, December 17th, on account of conflict with the American Legion-Salesmanship-Lions banquet also scheduled for Friday.

High school officials are especially sorry for this second postponement of the Open House, but inasmuch as the request has been made for the change and since the conflicting plans involve out-of-town speakers, it seems advisable to change the date.

Frank Bolton was a Cevsicana visitor Monday.

Ben Hunt is a Waco visitor today.

THIS HEN STARTED EARLY

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y. (United Press.)—Mrs. Ralph H. Hill of Trout Lake is certain she is the owner of the most enterprising Biddy in the Adirondacks. The wonder-working hen is but six months old, but has within her brief span of life laid eleven eggs, on which she is now sitting with the apparent determination to become a mother at an age so tender as to leave all competitors confounded.

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Early Agreement On Reparations Is Now Expected

By A. L. BRADFORD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—An early agreement on the proposal of the reparations commission for a conference of experts on German's financial situation was foreshadowed in diplomatic advices reaching here today.

These advices stated France and Belgium virtually have agreed to appoint experts to the inquiry under conditions that will afford the proposed conference a sufficiently wide scope to make it practicable.

As a result of this development American participation is now hoped for in informed quarters.

Although a high American official states the plan of the reparations commission is not dead and that this Government still is studying the proposal the co-operation of this country in the conference is not at all assured. An announcement of the American attitude is expected soon from the State Department.

TRACTOR BEATS HEDGE

SARANAC LAKE, N. Y. (United Press)—In some of the smaller things it sometimes appears that the forces of man far outclass those of nature. A cedar hedge about a home at Chazy had become so thick that it was decided to destroy it. Despite its more than half a century of growth the entire hedge was uprooted and tron down by a caterpillar tractor in two hours.

SUED FOR THIRTY CENTS

RALEIGH, N. C. (United Press.)—J. E. Owens, coroner of Wake County, sueing the Pine State Creamery for 30 cents, won his case. The suit was instituted by the coroner after an agent of the creamery refused to refund a 30-cent deposit on milk bottles. Owens was represented by three lawyers. The defense paid over the three dimes and costs.

J. K. Hughes To Be Toastmaster At Joint Feast

Next Friday evening at 7:45 o'clock all of the clubs of the city will meet with their ladies in the parlors of the Christian church for a Merry Christmas Dinner; which will be served by the ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary. Hon. J. K. Hughes will be the toastmaster; Rev. Jeffers will be in charge of the sing-song. The date for the program at the High School opening has been reset to Monday, next week so that all may attend both functions. Tickets for the dinner should be purchased now so that the ladies of the Legion will know how many to prepare for. All members of all clubs are invited. Those who have received tickets through the mail please either remit for same to Mrs. O. F. Watkins, American Legion Auxiliary or return same so that a count may be arrived at the number of plates to be placed. Tickets may be secured from Mrs. Watkins, O. F. Watkins, Jerry Cason, Z. Rochelle, Dr. Brown, and Lee P. Pierson. There will be a number of visitors from surrounding towns.

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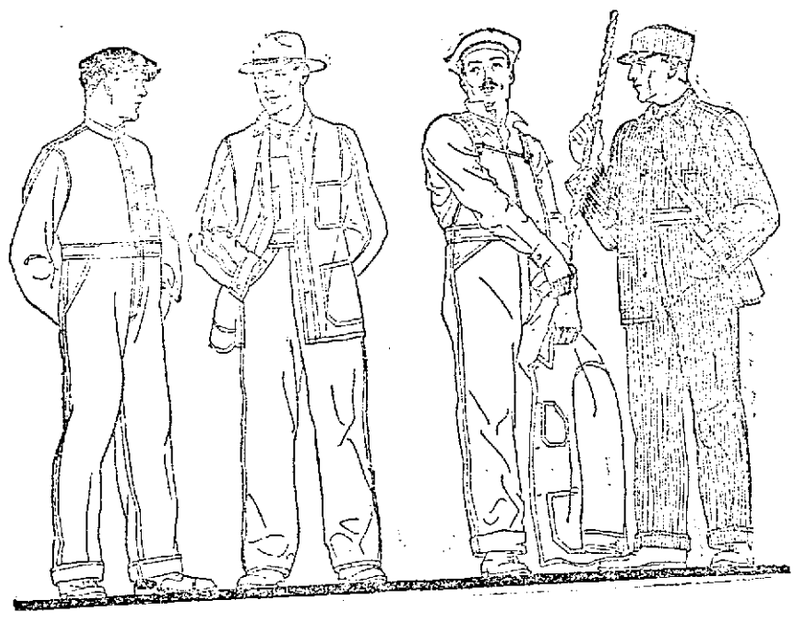

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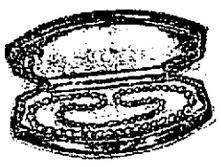

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